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INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE BLASTED

Artillery Duels In Albania

Bad weather is still holding up large-scale operations on the Albanian battle-front, states a Greek Press Ministry communique in Athens yesterday.

Greek artillery, however, continued to pound enemy positions with marked success and much damage by shells bursting in Italian trenches was registered.

At one point an Italian column received direct hits and suffered heavy losses.

The Greek Air Force continued to drop bombs on military targets, store dumps, columns on the march and motor-transport concentrations.—Reuter.

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS LEAVES FOR ISTANBUL

According to a Moscow despatch to the official German news agency, Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, when he left the Soviet capital by plane yesterday for Istanbul, was accompanied by Mr. John Russell, of the British Embassy, and Squadron-Leader Charlton Allamell, British Air Attache.—Reuter.

Huge Conflagrations In R. A. F. Raid

ALTOGETHER 150 FIRES WERE BURNING AT ONE TIME IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AS RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY A STRONG FORCE OF R.A.F. BOMBERS.

The attack proceeded systematically for two and a half hours. As incendiaries, sticks of bombs and heavy bombs followed each other, patches of fire grew until they joined into huge conflagrations devouring warehouses and factories.

Oil storage tanks on the Rhine bank blazed with lurid green flames mixed with a volume of smoke, while sharp and heavy explosions contributed to the general destruction.

One pilot who spent 70 minutes over Cologne said: "We arrived before we were due and had to await our turn before bombing so that the people with incendiary bombs could get their loads in first."

"After the incendiaries had done their work there was a continuous stream of high explosives."

Impressive Sight

"It was an impressive sight. Before my turn came I counted 70 or 80 sticks of bombs going down, in addition to heavy bombs."

"As the flames spread and spread they lit up three British bombers in the sky."

The Air Ministry news service, giving these reports, points out that Cologne is Germany's third largest city, an important Rhine port, a great centre of railways elaborately planned for military purposes, a natural bridge between Germany and the countries she has invaded and the centre of many engineering and chemical works.

The crew of one of the bombers previously reported missing from Wednesday night's operations are now known to be safe.—Reuter.

TRIPLE MURDER MYSTERY

The corpses of three young Chinese women, with their hands and feet bound with grass rope, were found floating in the harbour off West Point yesterday afternoon.

The bodies were removed to the Public Mortuary by the Water Police.

EMERGENCY BILL GOES TO SENATE

The emergency Bill to provide US\$1,533,000,000 for Army and Navy construction and development programmes was yesterday passed by the House of Representatives and has been sent to the Senate.—Reuter.

CLOUD-DODGING DAYLIGHT RAIDERS OVER BRITAIN

CLOUD-DODGING German air-raiders were more numerous and busier over Britain during daylight yesterday than for some time.

Bombs were dropped in the outskirts of London and at a number of places in East Anglia and there were a small number of casualties.

QUISLING VIOLENCE

A fresh example of Quislingite violence towards Norwegian school-children, was reported yesterday by the Norwegian News Agency.

According to the Swedish newspaper "Social Demokraten," a detachment of Quisling storm troopers forced their way into a school at Sken and demanded to be taken to a class in which were several boys whom they alleged had maltreated a member of the Quisling Youth Guard.

The leader of the storm troopers jumped on the teacher's desk and ordered four boys to follow him to an outhouse

One raider, after dive-bombing an East Coast town, machine-gunned children going to school but all escaped.

SEVERAL CHILDREN WERE KILLED BY BOMBS DROPPED ON ONE EAST ANGLIAN TOWN AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT AT LEAST TWO GERMAN RAIDERS WERE DESTROYED.

One Heinkel bomber, approaching small units of the British Navy in the North Sea yesterday morning, was hotly engaged and it is considered certain that the machine was unable to reach its base, the Admiralty announced.

ANOTHER BOMBER, IT IS BELIEVED, FELL INTO THE SEA, AFTER A BATTLE WITH A BRITISH FIGHTER.—REUTER.

where the boys were stripped naked and beaten with leather straps. The school managers and staff have sent a strongly worded protest to the Ministry of Church and Education.—Reuter.

Wild Fights In Holland

Reports of "wild and bloody fights" between Jews and Dutch Nazis in Amsterdam — placed this week under martial law by the Germans — have reached "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The newspaper states that in the Jewish district of Amsterdam there have been fights as a result of uniformed Dutch Nazi Storm Troopers marching through the quarter.

There was widespread fighting on February 12, when parties of young men attacked marching Nazis.

Civilians and policemen were injured and one Nazi was found dead on the pavement.

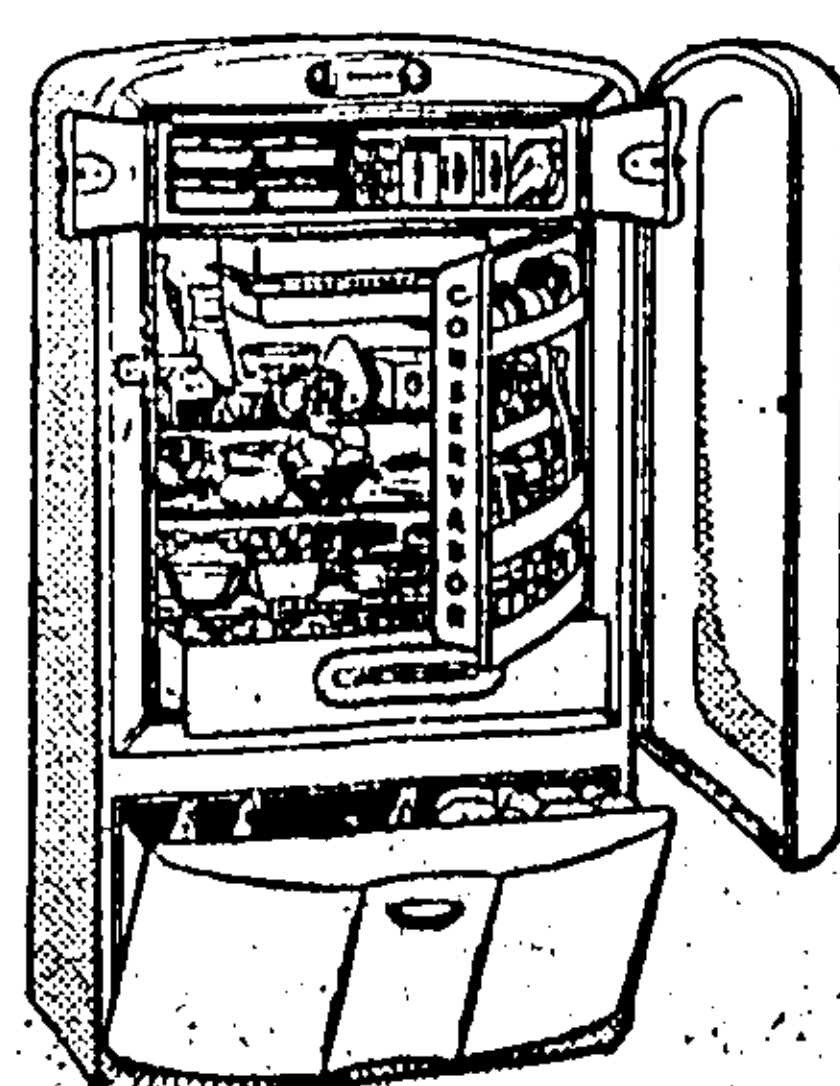
The police then isolated a large part of the town to prevent further demonstrations.

The newspaper adds that Jewish leaders addressed Jews in the town, exhorting them to show calm and dignity whatever the provocation.—Reuter.

M. COSME ARRIVES IN PEIPING

The French Ambassador to China, M. Henry Cosme, arrived in Peiping yesterday to take up permanent residence.—Reuter.

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THE TRIUMPH AT MOGADISCIO

Outstanding Achievement Due To Speed Of Advance

Huge War Supplies Captured

FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE REMARKABLE NATURE OF THE ADVANCE WHICH LED TO THE OCCUPATION OF MOGADISCIO, CAPITAL OF ITALIAN SOMALILAND, WAS GIVEN IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN NAIROBI YESTERDAY.

The communique says "During the night of Tuesday and Wednesday, our East and West African troops entered Mogadiscio without opposition.

"Owing to darkness, the defeat of the enemy on the line of the Juba, the speed of our advance and the hurried evacuation, the town has suffered little damage.

"It has been impossible up to now to assess the number of prisoners and materials captured and many Europeans and Asians are still surrendering.

"This achievement was made possible by the cooperation of all three services and the vigorous action of all the forces employed.

"Its greatness will be appreciated when it is realised that during the period of February 12 to February 25, starting from advance bases already at the end of lines of communication 220 miles long, fighting formations have advanced in face of opposition over a single track road a distance of 570 miles.

"In addition a major water obstacle has been crossed—a line which the Italians apparently thought was impregnable in face of opposition."—Reuter.

R.A.F. Support

The support the Air Force is giving the offensive on all fronts in Italian East Africa is emphasised in an R.A.F. communique in Cairo.

The communique says that stores and troops concentrations and supply dumps were attacked in the Keren area with good effect.

At Assab, bombs were dropped on a large transport yard while near Massawa ammunition stores and other military objectives were raided.

The railway bridge at Awash, near Addis Ababa, was attacked and a direct hit damaged the bridge and track. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S BOEING CLIPPERS

Five experienced British Overseas Airways pilots have arrived in New York to take delivery of a number of Boeing Clipper flyingboats, it was learned in London yesterday.

They will fly the Clippers to England, thus allowing Overseas Airways to fulfil the promise by Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, that Britain would resume the Atlantic service in the summer.

The new Clippers weigh about 40 tons and carry over 5,000 gallons of petrol.—Reuter.

CLOSING NET ROUND KEREN

Relemit, about 30 miles north of Keren, has been occupied by British troops without meeting any opposition.

Nakfa, abandoned by the enemy, has also been occupied.—Reuter.

TURKEY GREET'S MR. EDEN

"The Turkish nation most respectfully salutes the Commonwealth of British Nations in the person of its two very distinguished representatives," declared the Turkish newspaper "Ulus" yesterday in a warm tribute quoted by Ankara radio.

The sincere reception accorded Mr. Eden and General Dill, adds the paper, is a friendly manifestation of the affection and confidence the Turkish nation feels towards Britain, who has been the most influential factor in the destinies of Turkey.

Mr. Eden is described as a statesman likely to play an important role in the history of the British Empire and is known to be an old and warm exponent of Anglo-Turkish friendship.

The paper concludes that the Turkish nation earnestly hopes that its guests' stay in Ankara will be a happy one and that their contacts there will be fruitful for the good of the two nations.—Reuter.

GERMANS IN LIBYA ACTION

THE REPULSE OF ARMoured VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN, IS REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE, WHICH SAYS THAT IN LIBYA, ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF BRITISH MECHANISED FORCES ENCOUNTERED WEST OF AGUILA AND DROVE BACK, A RECONNAISSANCE UNIT OF ARMoured FIGHTING VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN.

In Eritrea, while the British forces continue activity to contain the main body of the enemy about Keren, further progress has been made by our columns advancing southwards from Cubcub.

In Italian Somaliland, the rapid and vigorous advance of South African forces from the line of the River Juba to the capture of Mogadiscio has evidently demoralised the enemy forces in the area.

They are offering themselves for surrender all along the large stretch of country which has been overrun.

Several thousands of prisoners have already been counted and many more continue to come in.

In addition large quantities of war material of all kinds have fallen into our hands.

Not the least satisfactory feature of this highly successful advance has been that we recovered 200 Allied seamen who had been held at Merca for many months by the Italians as prisoners of war. — Reuter.

EVACUEES REACH AUSTRALIA

British women evacuees from Thailand arrived at Sydney by air yesterday.

They stated that 100 more women and children are shortly coming to Australia.—Reuter.

WHAT ITALIANS ARE TOLD

EVENTS IN ITALIAN Somaliland were mentioned in yesterday's Italian communique which says that after over a month of strong resistance the Italian troops withdrawing towards Mogadiscio are still resisting "preponderant enemy forces."

In the Sudan, a communique states, "enemy troops beaten in the Zelmani zone, as announced in Monday's Italian communique, retired on Buna, leaving numerous dead and wounded and war material behind."

CASTEL ORITZO CAPTURE

The occupation of the island of Castel Oritzo in the Eastern Mediterranean, by British forces is hailed with enthusiasm by the Greeks, according to the Athens Radio.

The newspaper "Estia" refers to Castel Oritzo as the first Dodecanese island to see sunlight and freedom and adds: "In order to realise what Fascist tyranny meant it is for Castel Oritzo to remember that of the 12,000 inhabitants of unmixed Greek blood, barely 1,800 now remain on the island. The rest have been driven into exile.

The air attack on Malta is described thus: "Formations of German bombers escorted by German and Italian fighters made mass attacks on Maltese airports.

"Ten enemy planes were set on fire on the ground and many others seriously damaged, while hangars and installations were hit.

"In air fights four Hurricanes were brought down, two by German and two by Italian fighters."

On February 25, the communique states, German planes hit an enemy destroyer off Tobruk with large calibre bombs, and also concentrations of enemy motorised vehicles and an artillery emplacement near the town.

German torpedo-carrying planes sunk in the western Mediterranean a 5,000-ton merchant ship it was claimed. — Reuter.

"Whole communities of fugitives from Castel Oritzo now exist in Greece, America, Australia and France."—Reuter.

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Prime Minister Reminds Commons There Is A War On

BRITAIN'S NEED FOR FASTER FREIGHTERS

A COMPREHENSIVE review of British shipping problems was given by Lord Rotherwick (formerly Sir Herbert Cayzer), President of the Chamber of Shipping, at its Annual Meeting in London yesterday.

Lord Rotherwick urged the building of faster cargo liners. While appreciating that the need for maximum new tonnage had impelled Government to order large numbers of slow vessels, it was no use building such ships if their slow speed exposed them unduly to enemy attack.

Only after 18 months of war had Government turned their attention to the faster cargo liner type.

A fast ship, he claimed, could do two voyages for one of a slow ship, and would be less strain on the service of the already over-worked destroyers, as fast ships would not need convoying.

Lord Rotherwick advised a constant review of shipping to ensure that fast ships were not used on less dangerous services that slow ships could perform; this would reduce the time each ship spent in passing through danger areas; and cut to the minimum unavoidable delays under war conditions.

Every Day Counts

Every day counted for victory and precious days should not be lost handling cargo or in repairs or awaiting convoy.

There should be equal priority with the Army and Air Force in the supply of guns and machine-guns to merchantships to enable them to defend themselves against air attack.

Lord Rotherwick said ship owners should be able to purchase

Government ships as a partial solution of replacement problems.

At present the only shipping being replaced was Government shipping and the only shipping building was Government building.

Nationalisation

The present policy would result in the bulk of tonnage being Government-owned if the war lasted a long time, and raised the issue of nationalisation.

To enable ship owners to plan ahead and remove the existing uncertainty in this regard, Government should frankly state whether nationalisation was their intention. — Reuter.

NOW WE KNOW

The "Cleveland News" declares that Germany has more vital weaknesses than the world outside generally appreciates. — Reuter.

AIR FORCE SUPPORT OF GREEKS

Highly successful attacks on the Albanian villages of Luzati, south-east of Tepelini, and Fieri, were made on Wednesday during R.A.F. operations supporting the Greek army, says a communique issued yesterday by headquarters of the British forces in Greece.

Direct hits were scored on a concentration of motor vehicles near Luzati and on military camps at Fieri, where several large fires

"TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" CONTROVERSY

SOME CONTROVERSY WAS AROUSED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHEN THE HOUSE DEBATED THE "TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" BILL, OFFICIALLY STYLED THE COMMONS DISQUALIFICATION (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) BILL.

The Bill was originally introduced to legalise Mr. Malcolm Macdonald's appointment as High Commissioner for Canada while he retained his seat as a Member of Parliament.

Government insisted on treating the division as a vote of confidence but eventually the Commons gave the Bill a unanimous reading.

The Bill only lasts for one year and in the interim a Select Committee will seek to clarify the whole position of Members of Parliament who accept offices

of profit.

It was the first time since he formed his administration that Mr. Churchill had asked the Commons for a vote of confidence, and he received it without even the formality of a division.

There's A War On

Mr. Churchill told the House that the debate on the Bill would be treated as a vote of confidence in the Government.

After stating that the whole question of appointments would be considered by a Select Committee, the Prime Minister added:

"Meanwhile let us get on with the war because, though one might hardly think it, there is a war on, in which our lives and liberties and even wider causes are hanging in the balance." — Reuter.

were started.

At Fieri, swooping low, aircraft machine-gunned military headquarters and other targets.

British planes intercepted a convoy of cargo ships and a gunboat two miles off Valona, and successfully machine-gunned them.

All the British planes returned safely. — Reuter.

MUSSOLINI'S APOLOGIA

IN WHAT APPEARED to be an attempt to explain away the serious reverses recently suffered by Italy, Mussolini yesterday issued through the Stefani agency a long list of armaments which he sent to General Franco during the Spanish Civil War.

An accompanying statement by the diplomatic correspondent of the agency says: "The figures indicate how important was the contribution to Spain which, coming immediately after the powerful effort made in Ethiopia, doubtless struck a blow at Italy's war potential."

"These two big drafts on the strength of the armed forces were made while other nations were able, on the contrary, to devote all their means to preparing for war."

Explaining the reason for Italian intervention in the Spanish civil war, Stefani's diplomatic correspondent says that it was necessary "for reasons of national revolutionary and Mediterranean policy."

National and Mediterranean reasons made it necessary, he continued, to prevent Spain from becoming a military and naval base for France and Britain against Italy, while revolutionary reasons demanded Italian Fascist intervention for a system modelled on it. — Reuter.

BRIGHTER TONE OF STOCK MARKET

The London Stock Exchange displayed a brighter tendency yesterday and most markets were firm. Among gilt-edged, War Loan advanced to 103-9/16 while several good features were seen in industrials, notably breweries, as well as Cable and Wireless (56½ against 54½). Oils tended higher. Shells being quoted at 43/1½ against 41/10½. Kaffirs and coppers were firm on Cape buying. Home Rails were irregular. Japanese bonds recovered a further 10/- to 30/-. Wall Street was narrowly irregular. — Reuter.

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GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR QUICKER SHIP TURNABOUT

AN APPEAL TO DOCKERS to "help us beat Hitler" was made by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, announcing in London yesterday a new scheme for dock labour on Merseyside which will improve and speed up working conditions.

Mr. Bevin said that transport has now become a key factor and the organisation of transport would determine the duration of this struggle.

EARLE INCIDENT ANGRERS BERLIN

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE YESTERDAY SHARPLY ATTACKED THE AMERICAN MINISTER AT SOFIA, MR. GEORGE EARLE, FOR HIS ALLEGED PRO-BRITISH ATTITUDE, AND COMPLAINS OF THE SIMILAR ATTITUDE OF OTHER UNITED STATES DIPLOMATS.

Mr. Earle was the victim of an assault by Nazis in a restaurant in Sofia, when he requested the orchestra to play the song "Tipperary," which aroused the rage of the Germans present.

A German military officer threw a champagne bottle at Mr. Earle who retaliated by knocking him down.

A further echo of the fracas in a Sofia cafe, in which the United States Minister, Mr. Earle, and a German officer were involved, was heard when the German in question yesterday requested the Bulgarian authorities to allow him to take legal proceedings against Mr. Earle.

A Sofia despatch to the Italian news agency gives this information but makes no mention of the result of the German's request. — Reuter.

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The President's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, made this statement yesterday and added that much work remained to be done in getting the Administration to handle the aid to Britain programme. — Reuter.

AUSTRALIA AND RUMANIA

Australia has severed trading relations with Rumania, which has been declared enemy territory, according to an announcement in Canberra yesterday. This is in conformity with the recent extension of the British blockade to Rumania. — Reuter.

AXIS IN OPERATION IN ECONOMIC FIELD

THE WORKING-OF THE AXIS in the economic field is revealed in a despatch yesterday from Rome quoted by the German news agency.

The despatch states that in accordance with the Italo-German economic agreement, which regulates from time to time clearing payments for the current year, Italo-German commercial exchanges are expected to reach a total of about 1,000,000,000 reichsmarks in both directions.

Guiding principle in the negotiations has been to satisfy all requirements essential to war economic demands in which the combined demands of the Axis are regarded as one unit.

The whole of Italy's coal requirements, amounting to about 12,000,000 tons last year, will be completely covered by Germany. Germany's deliveries of iron and steel to Italy will be more than doubled.

Italy will increase shipments of agricultural raw products as well as sulphur and mercury to Germany. A special agreement also provides for the sending to Germany of a further 205,000 Italian workmen, mainly metal workers, making the total of Italian workmen in Germany in the current year 315,000. — Reuter.

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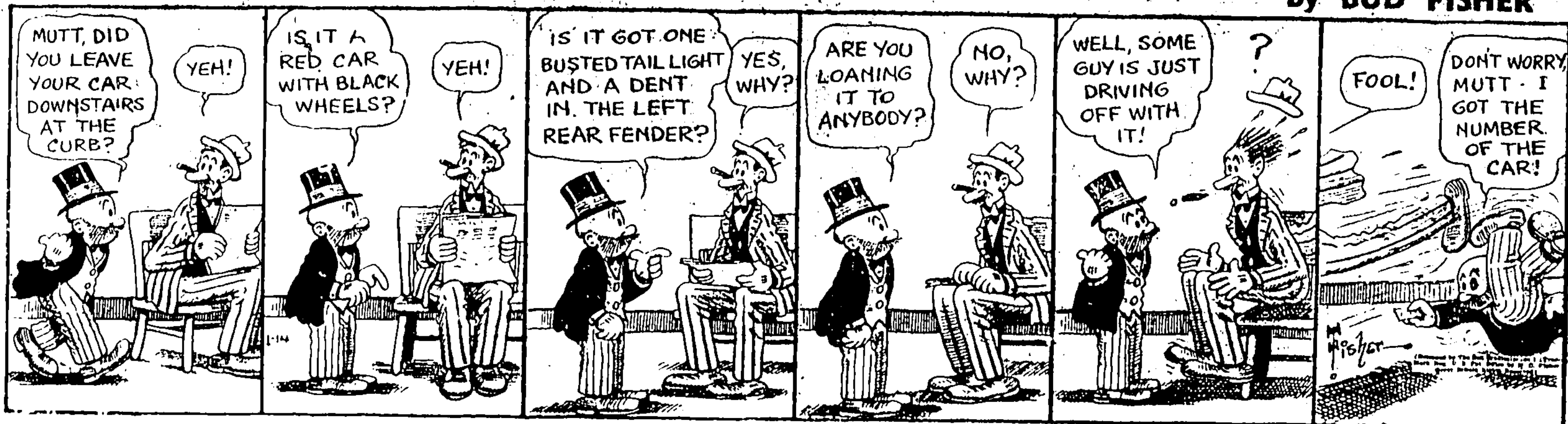
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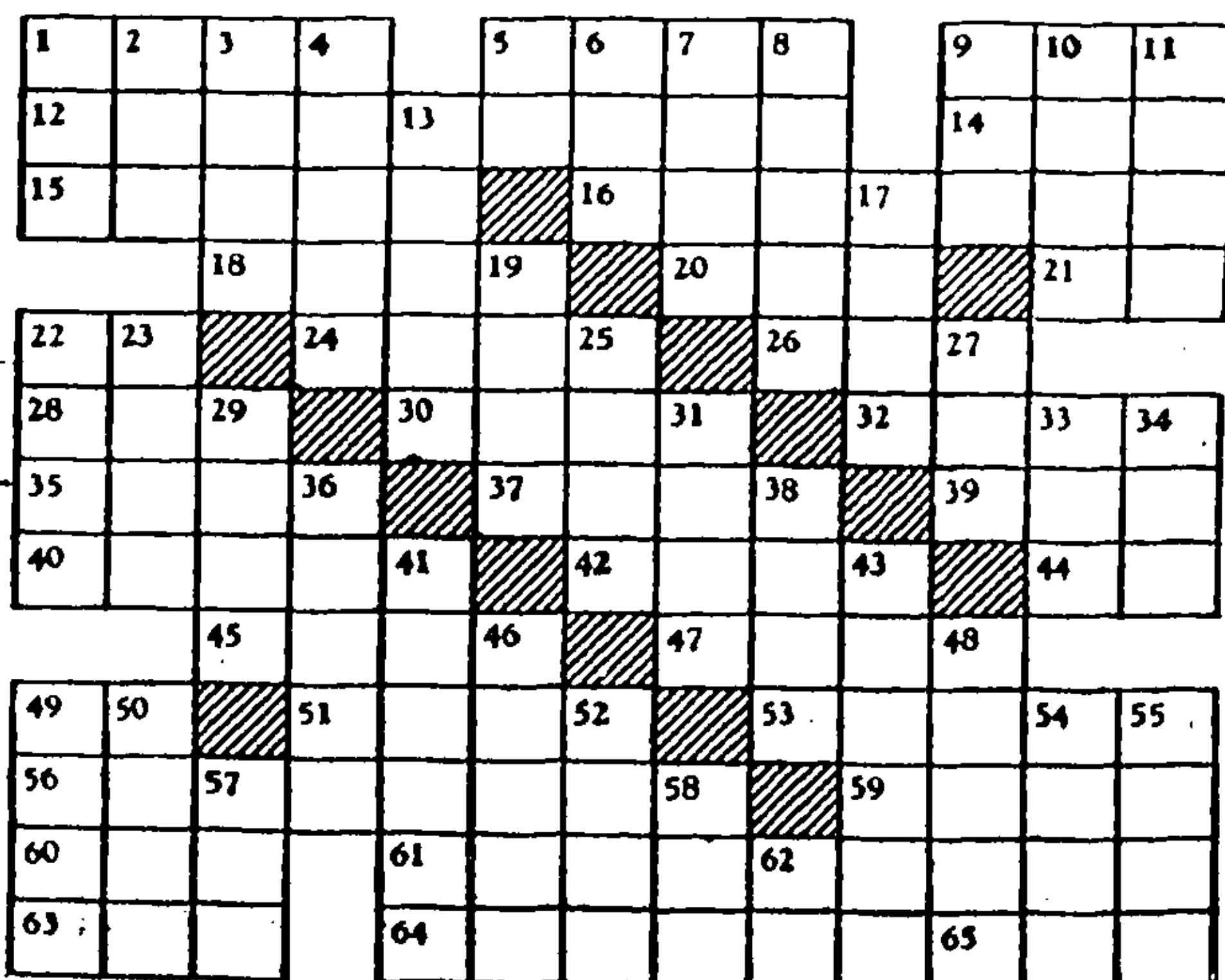


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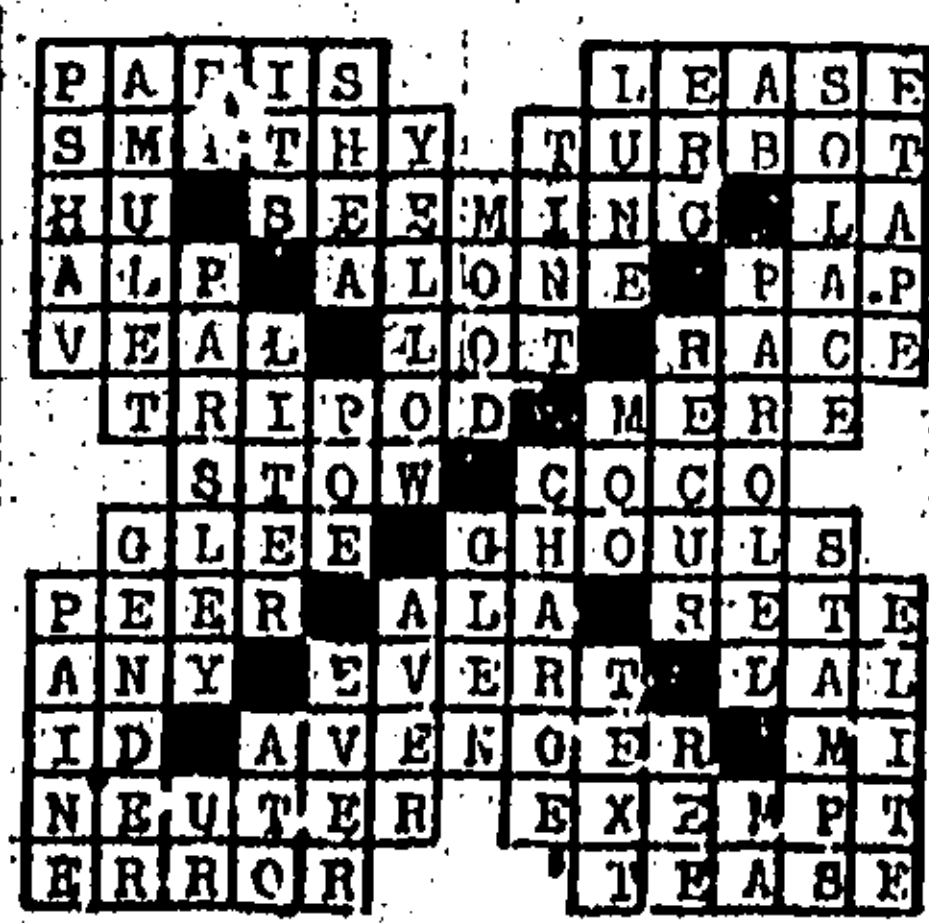


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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



WOMEN USED AS "SHIELD"

Another day spent in these small Albanian villages convinces me more than ever of the justice of the Greek demands for more British aircraft.

Nine Italian bombers have just bombed this small village where I am writing, killing numbers of women and children. Since early morning there has been a series of Italian raids without fighting opposition.

A Greek officer in this village, his uniform still burned from a hand grenade, described to me how, before the Greek occupation, the Italians forced women and children in front of them, compelling Greeks to hold their artillery fire.

Looting Shops

In another village I talked to many inhabitants, who described the drunkenness of the Italian troops, who looted all the shops, stole silver crucifixes from the church, and thrashed old men when demanding the whereabouts of the village women.

These women spent days covering in the surrounding woods awaiting the Greek reoccupation.

In such villages there are no sirens; the simple cry of "Aeroplane, aeroplane!" sends the people rushing to their tiny, ramshackle homes.

I have talked with Albanian prisoners, who told me they received drastic orders from the Italian High Command that on no account must they retreat, but they were hopelessly out-maneuvred by the Greeks and forced to surrender. They were apparently delighted to do so.

DUCE'S BULLIES' NEW TASK

Italian defeatists and hoarders may face rough treatment at the hands of Fascism's old strong-arm squads.

The newspaper of the extremist, "Roberto Farinacci," disclosed that the purpose of "aquadri" leaders recently was to give them orders to "react against all those who, forgetting that Italy is at war, have a deplorable attitude." Farinacci's newspaper said hoarders would be shot. This statement went far beyond the recent exhortation by the "Popolo di Roma" that alarmists and pessimists must be beaten.—Associated Press.

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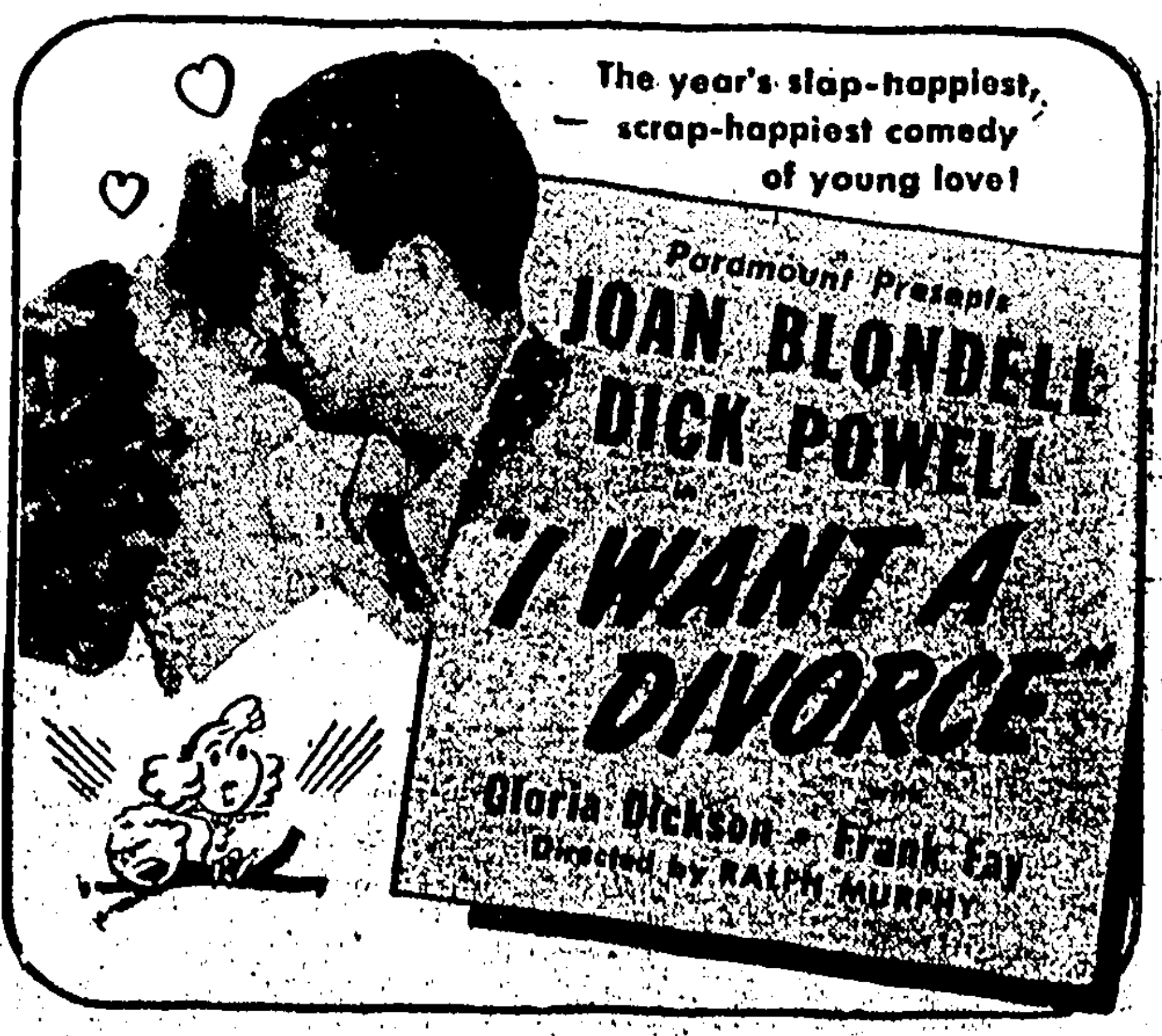
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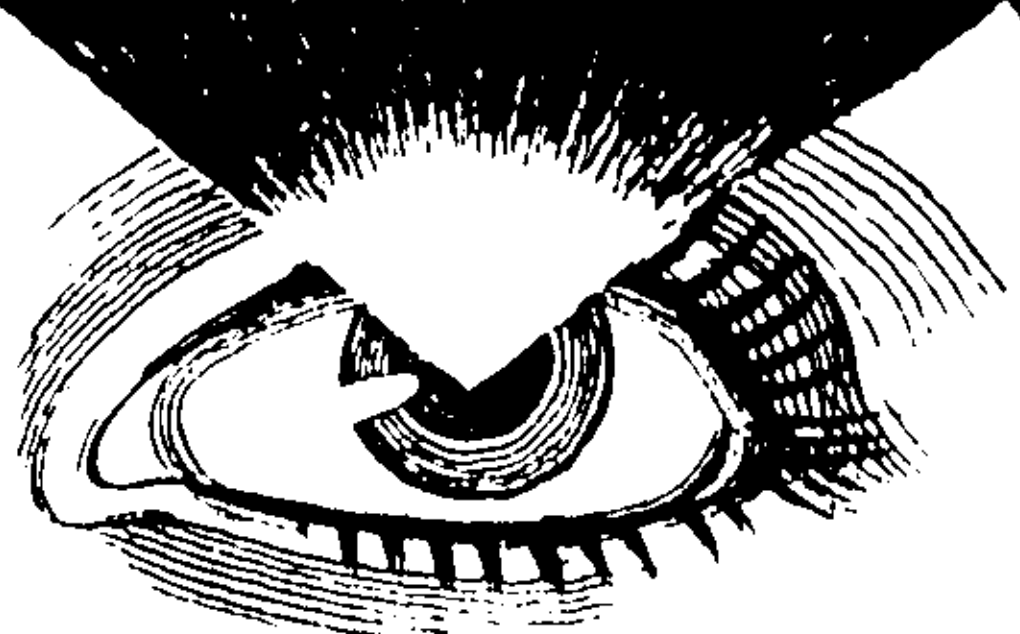
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KILLED MOVING BOMB FROM R.A.F. AERODROME

THE AWARD of the George Cross to an R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve officer who survived the last war as an air observer and was killed in the present war while on bomb-disposal work is announced.

The officer, Actg. Sqdn. Ldr. Eric Lawrence Moxey, volunteered to remove two bombs embedded in an aerodrome. One of the bombs exploded.

The official announcement of the award is silent about the risks which he took, but it is stated that he had frequently shown a complete disregard for personal safety.

Similar silence is preserved about the award of another George Cross, announced in the London Gazette. The recipient is Roy T. Harris, a staff officer in the A.R.P. engineers' service at Croydon. He is decorated "for conspicuous bravery in carrying out dangerous duties."

Told of the honour conferred on him Mr. Harris replied, "Good heavens, you surprise me. I've only been doing my job."

The bravery for which he is decorated occurred during air raids.

Drove Through Fire

Seven awards of the George Medal were also announced in the London Gazette. One is to John Arthur Blake, an A.R.P. incidents officer at Bermondsey, S.E., to whose bravery three firemen owe their lives.

While he was driving through a burning area a bomb exploded in front of his car, which was wrecked. Continuing on foot, he found six firemen, all seriously wounded, lying among blazing debris.

While he was summoning help two more bombs exploded, the blast knocking him away from the telephone. After recovering from the shock he returned and again got into communication with the control centre. Three of the six firemen recovered in hospital.

The same day Blake heard that some people were trapped in an Anderson shelter entirely surrounded by fire. He went through the flames and extricated three people.

Bomb Among Lorries

Other George Medal awards are as follows:

John Gavin, of Paddington, W., who drove a burning lorry from a bombed yard in which were other lorries and considerable material. By doing so he confined the blaze to one lorry.

Thomas Lee, a Coventry millwright, who assisted rescue squads to extricate nine persons trapped in a shelter. For two hours he raised heavy concrete blocks and masonry to release a woman pinned underneath.

Frederick Mason and Albert Searn, leader and deputy-leader of an A.R.P. rescue squad at Coventry. To release people trapped in a basement they dug a tunnel through the debris and worked in the tunnel for two hours. Two people were saved.

Leonard Matthews, leader of an A.R.P. stretcher party at Surbiton. Although a wall was likely to collapse at any time, he dug a hole in the debris below and rescued a man who had been trapped. He was awarded the Meritorious Medal for helping to prevent an ammunition train being blown up while serving in Russia.

Charles Roger Middleton, refinery manager, and James McNaughton Imrie, chief engineer, of the Shell Refining and Marketing Company Ltd. While bombing was in progress they climbed a blazing tank containing 2,000 tons of benzine and enabled the fire to be extinguished.

B. J. Lewis, chieftain of fitters, and Frank Naiffa, chieftain of labourers, both of H.M. Dockyard, Malta. They volunteered to erect splinter plates to protect gun equipment after a bomb had fallen. They also re-erected a gun despite frequent aerial bombardments and with steel helmets as their only protection.

Army Awards

The award of 13 George Medals, including two posthumously, is announced by the War Office. The list of recipients is:

Gnr. H. G. Groom, R.A.; Capt. G. E. Galloway, R.E.; Lt. E. R.

Raby, R.E.; 2nd Lt. (Actg. Capt.) H. Mitchell, R.E.; 2nd Lt. F. R. Martin, R.E. (since deceased); 2nd Lt. H. A. Manser, R.E. (since deceased); Sgt. S. E. J. Thorne, R.E.; Sgt. W. A. Jones, R.E.; Cpl. W. O. Bean, R.E.; Sapper S. Cheshire, R.E.; Lt. (temp. Capt.) D. A. S. Martin, R.A.O.C.; Lt. (temp. Capt.) R. Chalkley, R.A.O.C.; Capt. D. W. Cunningham, Royal Canadian Engineers.

The medal of the Order of the British Empire, Civil Division, has been awarded to William Maxwell Scott, officer in charge of an A.R.P. stretcher party depot at Hornsey, N. After he had led a rescue party to a demolished house he heard cries from beneath the wreckage. Walls were tottering and gas was escaping from fractured mains, but he crawled under the wreckage to render first aid to the injured.

Saved R.A.F. Pilot

The medal of the Order of the British Empire for meritorious service has been awarded to Flt.-Sgt. C. H. I. Wood and Ldg. Aircraftman R. A. Summers. When a Blenheim crashed at night and while ammunition was exploding they rescued the pilot at the second attempt.

Flt.-Sgt. Wood, whose home is at Hawkhurst, Kent, is a colliery fitter. Summers was a decorator before he joined the R.A.F. His home is at Congresbury, Somerset.

Other recipients of this medal are:—

Lce. Cpl. Actg. Staff Sgt. J. Hayton, R.A.O.C.; Sgt. R. L. McIlvride, R.A.O.C.; Pte. (Actg. Lce. Cpl.) L. Barratt, R.A.O.C.; Pte. (Actg. Cpl.) R. E. Sothcott, R.A.O.C.; Pte. G. V. Nicholson, R.A.O.C.; Pte. B. Hatton, R.A.O.C.

VATICAN REBUTS NAZI BOOK

THE VATICAN RADIO HAS BEEN ATTACKING GERMANY FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A BOOK ENTITLED "GERMANY AND CATHOLIC CULTURE IN POLAND," WHICH IS BEING WIDELY CIRCULATED IN ITALY.

The book states according to the Vatican radio, that the German authorities do not take any measures in Poland for the restriction of religious life.

"Unfortunately," commented the broadcaster, "the impression it wants to create is not successful. In the western area of Poland the religious Press is the object of the most severe restrictions. German Catholics, in addition are forbidden to assist at Masses celebrated by Polish people."

"Certain churches are closed and others are allowed open only a limited time. Priests are exiled or put into concentration camps, where many have died."

KILLED IN ACTION—CITED BY BROTHER

On the grounds of his wife's adultery with his brother, who had died in action since the proceedings began, Leslie Vaughan Richards, a munition worker, of Cropton Street, Warwick, was granted a decree nisi at Birmingham Assizes.

REMINING THE WOPS OF CAPORETTO

The rout of the Italians in Albania has provided keen satire for Greek humorists. In Athens most reviews now carry a scene of Italian generals planning a retreat. The final word rests with an aged field-marshal, who says: "I know; I was as Caporetto"—a reference to the Italian disaster in 1914-18 war.

In night clubs "Tipperary" and "Auld Lang Syne" are sung.

GOODBYE ---DIVE TO DEATH

After saying goodbye to a woman a man under charge of a military escort dived 60ft. to his death from the roof of his flat in Duchess Street Marylebone, London.

At the adjourned Paddington inquest the verdict was that Robert Bertram Stern, thirty-four, a stockbroker, who had failed to report for military service, took his life while the balance of his mind was disturbed.

Detective-Sergeant Evans said that Stern was asked why he did not report for service, and he replied that he had been trying to join the fire service of the police. He was remanded at Marlborough Street Police Court to await a military escort.

Sergeant Dudley Woolgar, of the Royal Artillery, said that he was in charge of an escort detailed to take Stern to camp.

Stern asked to go to his flat for his gas mask and some papers. At the flat he said goodbye to a woman and then went in a lift with the escort.

Walk On Parapet

Suddenly Stern ran up some stairs on to the roof, which he crossed.

The sergeant had narrowed the distance between them when Stern glanced round. He hesitated, walked along the parapet and dived over the edge.

The sergeant caught hold of his coat, but could not prevent him going over.

Answering the coroner (Mr. Neville Stafford), the sergeant said that he did not push Stern over.

The coroner, recording his verdict, said that it was quite clear that Sergeant Woolgar carried out his duty in an exceptional manner.

ELECTRIC LORRIES FOR NAZIS

A factory for the manufacture of one-ton electrically driven lorries has been opened in Copenhagen. It is a case of "necessity being the mother of invention" for the lack of benzine for fuel has made it necessary to revert to other means.

The new lorry will be able to travel a distance of 50 miles at a speed of 27 miles per hour. The chassis of the lorry has been constructed so as to give the four wheels equal weight to carry. The tires are the same as those used on private cars.

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WHO MENTIONED VULTURES?

Rash Conclusion

There is a tendency in England to feel that the sympathy of the whole of the United States is with us in our struggle, that with the exception of a negligible minority that great country is with us up to the edge of war. This is—as anyone listening in to Mr. Alistair Cooke's recent broadcast would realise—a very rash assumption.

It is difficult enough for us here, living in the immediacy which life holds for us nowadays, to keep at the same level of keenness. How much more must this be the case with people who are only with us emotionally and sympathetically, and who have around them the daily proof that life is good and sweet and easy, that nature's abundance is yet theirs, that their country is inviolate?

We are fortunate that so many of the intellectual leaders of the United States either work for the William Allen White Committee or are moved by it. William Allen White is, as most Englishmen know and as all should know, one of the most important pro-British Americans. He organised what is now known as the White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. William Allen White has stressed throughout his firm belief that the United States' first line of defence is Britain, and hence that Britain is fighting for the United States.

In New York Robert Sherwood, the famous playwright, that tall flame of a man, has been fighting for us with his pen as ardently as he fought, though a Yankee, in a Canadian regiment in the last war. John Balderston, the writer,

behind peace talk is another statement by Lord Halifax:

When we think and speak of peace, what do we really mean? We naturally tend to think of it as something negative—not war—and for that reason to be something worthy of all we can do for its preservation. But just as I can imagine individuals confronted by a situation which Christian men and women would feel was worse than death, so I can imagine the circumstances for a nation or for human civilisation in which immunity from war could be too dearly purchased.

great-great-grandson of the woman who made the first American flag, has done work for the White Committee that should make his name, with that of Sherwood, ever remembered by us.

The fifty destroyers can be largely attributed to their efforts. Their work has not by any means been without difficulties and even dangers. Mr. Balderston at one time had to have a bodyguard, and the Isolationists, of whom there are many still in the Senate,

By F. Tennyson Jesse

have not hesitated to try to besmirch the reputation of certain members of the committee, notably that of John Balderston. What is known as a "smear campaign" has been extremely active.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, on September 26, 1940, declared that "a man by the name of Balderston, long a resident of Great Britain, putting out a William Allen White news service release . . . was trying to arouse public sentiment to bombard the President, bombard public officials, so as to override any technical objections of the General Staff of the Navy and the General Staff of the Army" to send to Great Britain weapons that "might be needed by the United States." Mr. Clark, of Missouri, was then joined by a Mr. Holt, of West Virginia, who remarked that Mr. Balderston was "brought back" to the States to create war propaganda, and that it was a known fact that John Balderston was not interested in preserving the United States but was directly under the British Ministry of Information.

Mr. Holt, in short, accused Mr. Balderston of a crime against the Federal Statutes.

John Balderston has never in his life been directly or indirectly under or connected with the British Ministry of Information or any other foreign Government agency.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, full of sweet accord, replied that he had no information as to that, but that he was entirely prepared to believe the statement of the senator from West Virginia that Mr. Balderston was a British agent!

Senator Clark does all he can to help Germany by attempting to withhold essential supplies from Britain. He cannot and does not pretend to believe that the United States is in danger of attack by Great Britain. He is just one of those neutrals, of whom France, Holland, Belgium, and Norway have provided so many, to whom neutrality, instead of being sometimes admirable but always, by its nature, negative, becomes an active virtue.

Thus the "smear campaign" went on in the Senate. Mr. John Balderston having been accused of being a propaganda agent, senator after senator arose not to attack William Allen White personally, for he is too revered and elderly a figure in national politics to attack, but members of his group.

As a matter of fact the famous "Seven-point Programme" submitted to Mr. Allen White by his committee had obtained data for six of its seven points through American and not British sources. The "seven points" urged the delivery to Britain of a score of motor torpedo-boats, flying-boats (the Navy's heavy bombers), "flying fortresses"—the great long-range bombers; tanks, the use of airfields in the United States for training of pilots; 250,000 more Lee-Enfield rifles until something better could be got hold of, and seventh (and the one which agitated the senators most) the famous secret bomb sight.

All these requests, which were not put forth, by the way, by Mr. White, were not even put forward to him without the certain knowledge that each one of them had already been the subject of negotiation and in the belief that all or most of the requests would be granted either in whole or in part. The belief was American and not British belief, and was held by a great group of people in the United States, all of them American patriots.

Is it possible, one asks oneself, that even these "Copperheads," such as Senator Clark and his

Victuals In Our Time

It is perhaps natural that people with nothing to do but wait for the next meal should accept the aesthetic philosophy of the stout gentleman in the lounge who was heard to describe the sound of the dinner-bell as the sweetest music in the whole world. Idleness is a great begetter of gluttony, as one notices on sea voy-

By Ivor Brown

ages, where in good weather pondering the shape of edible things to come is a common form of preoccupation, naughtily stimulated in happier time by the lavishness of shipping companies.

The menus of luxury liners are really a Communist pamphlet.

The whole thing is fantastic. People who would be perfectly happy with the simplest supper at home must apparently have an eight-course dinner served with fanfares, flunkies, and carnival procedure when they are in mid-ocean.

One business of civilisation is surely to put food in its place. Our earliest ancestors, the food-gathering men, had to think a great deal about ways and means of getting nourishment. Their problem was acquisition. They had to live for food in order to live by it, just as many animals and birds have to work all day for their food supply.

Once food-growing had been invented as the supplement to food-gathering the problem was eased; the leisure thus gained might be misused in the arts of war, but it could be turned also to the arts of peace.

The Nile Valley started building, sculpture, and many decorative splendours when it solved the food problem. Because there was corn in Egypt there could also be civilisation.

Nowadays, in peace-time, supply of victuals is no trouble. Fair distribution is the problem that has so far baffled the meagre ingenuity and organising talent of economic man. We should be able, in decent conditions, to think just sufficiently about food and suffer no further worry. How much is that sufficiency? On this there will never be agreement. Man generally both indulges and mortifies the flesh, the duality of our nature running as often to the extremes of Stoic doctrine as to the gentler Epicurean creed. For my part, I believe that Chasterton usefully summed up the matter when he said that the logic of the fast is the feast, and vice versa. It is reasonable to stake within reason all normal desire, and the ascetic's glory in a total refusal is no more in nature than is the unceasing and calculating sensuality of the glutton.

A large part of the art of living is the avoidance of obsessions, and it is a dreadful thing to be obsessed about food. To go beyond a sensible interest in the niceties of the palate to a continual fussing about the next meal is usually to become a misery to oneself and a dreadful bore to others. What tedium equals that created by the constant chattering of the gourmet and of the prattler about vintage? Possibly only that inflicted on us by the person who in war-time is always thinking about rationing and discussing the state of the larder. The war has given us, along with the bomb-bores, the bacon-and-butter bores too. The stomach is a good thing in its place, but its place is certainly not "on the brain."

confreres imagine that anything given to the British now will ever be used by the British against the Americans? It is true that the Germans might capture some of these secret weapons, but that is a risk that has to be taken if Hitler is to be fought at all.

England must not understate the power of the "Copperheads." They can at least hold up the engine just when its smooth and quick working is essential. But we must remember also that our friends of the White Committee are still fighting for us through "smear campaigns," innuendoes, and lies and realise that the delay is no fault of theirs.

As to the "Copperheads" themselves, we can wish them no worse than that in their old age they may be forced to read with shame what has been recorded for ever upon the records of the Senate.



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On October 8, at 8.45 a.m. the bomb fell. The "Raiders passed" signal had been sounded early that morning, and at about eight o'clock Maurice, my husband, and I packed our bedding, and with our eleven-year-old son, Bobbie, started for home.

We had only got a few hundred yards from the shelter when another warning was given, and almost immediately there was a burst of gunfire.

I looked up—and just over my head, between the roofs and the barrage balloons, I saw a bomb diving towards us.

I saw it coming; But I had no time to give any warning, or to fall flat. The bomb fell a few feet away.

I felt a blow on my leg, and seemed to spin round at a tremendous speed before I fell.

'Floating Up And Down'

My leg felt painfully numb, and I knew I had lost it. I owe my life to the fact that I did not lose consciousness.

The ground felt warm and soft, and my body seemed to be floating up and down. I remember thinking, "This is what the soldiers must have felt in 1914," and I felt sick and dizzy. I put my right arm over my face and received a gash in it almost from elbow to shoulder. Then the thought came, "Good heavens, I'm dying, how

absurd!" I tried to look down at my leg. I couldn't see what damage was done, but the blood was pouring from it.

Immediately I called to A.R.P. men who seemed to have appeared from nowhere, to put a tourniquet on me.

Clothes Blown Off

An elderly man, who looked like a window cleaner, said, "All right, my girl, I'll do it for you," and taking his handkerchief from his pocket he tied it tightly round my thigh. Somebody tied my arm. That checked the bleeding.

Bobbie was almost within arm's reach of me. He was lying on his stomach and making a pitiful little moaning sound which told me that, mercifully, he was unconscious.

Somebody was attending to him, but there wasn't much one could do. He died some hours later.

Further away I saw my husband. He was lying on his back, silent. Like me, his clothes had been blown off him, and he was practically naked.

I could see no blood on him and I didn't know what his injuries were. He died before he could be given a blood transfusion.

"Raining Shrapnel"

The ambulances arrived. The raid was still overhead. I remember arriving at the hospital and hearing a man say to the stretcher bearers, "Get them in quickly, it's raining shrapnel."

I had been in hospital a week when we were "bombed out." The ward seemed to sway from side to side, and glass was crashing everywhere.

The nurses and sisters were wonderfully calm. They quickly had us all moved to another part of the building. Early next morning we were removed to other hospitals.

Now I am putting the past with its sorrows and regrets behind me, and I am facing the future with great confidence.

RELIGION—IF WANTED

Bethnal Green (London) authorities have agreed to allow the Bethnal Green Medical Mission to hold a short service in local air-raid shelters in the borough if acceptable to people in the shelters.

"RAZOR KING" MISSING AFTER HELP IN RAID

Among those missing in Sheffield, since the heavy German raid is Mr. G. H. Lawrence, the "razor king," who began his working life as a barber's lather boy earning 2s. a week.

He went to take food to some work people. Shortly afterwards the place was hit.

SECRET PAPER LOSSES

Police and intelligence officers are concerned at the increasing laxity of Army officers in taking precautions to prevent the theft of important papers, revolvers and other Service equipment which they carry with them when off duty.

Many cases have been reported recently, particularly in the West End, of officers having their wallets stolen, some of these containing documents giving information which would be useful to the enemy. Other officers have left secret documents in unlocked cases in rooms at their hotels.

Casual thieves may have been responsible for many of the thefts, but it is pointed out that among them may have been secret agents.

At least a dozen revolvers, also a Bren gun, have been stolen from cars which officers have left in the streets during the black-out.

Careless talk is also noticeable. A staff officer travelling from Euston to Ireland disclosed to a subaltern and a civilian, both unknown to him, information about shipping to Ireland and displacement of troops there.

JUDGE SEES WAR DAMAGE

Judge Earengay, of Clerkenwell (London) County Court, made legal history by personally inspecting premises blasted by enemy action.

He has to decide whether these premises are "unfit" within the meaning of the Landlord and Tenant (War Damage) Act. It is believed this is the first case of its kind.

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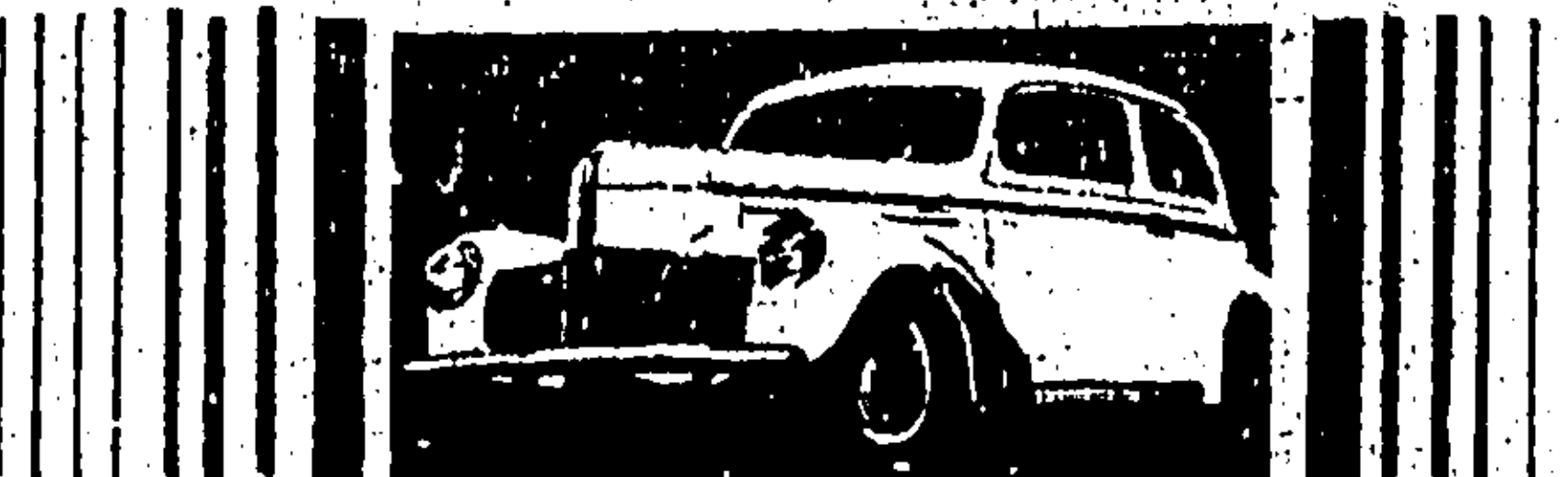
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LONDON SAFE FROM PERIL OF LARGE FIRES

LONDON AND OTHER CITIES in England are now safe from conflagrations which four or five months ago could have been started by German incendiary bombs, Professor J. Enrique Zanetti, director of the Columbia University chemical laboratories, said in commenting on his study, "Fire From the Air — The ABC of Incendiaries."

Dr. Zanetti said that German demolition bombs have made so many holes and barren spots in English cities that the spread of large fires is now impossible.

Dr. Zanetti, who has been studying incendiaries in the Columbia chemical laboratories and lecturing before professional fire and police specialists on the subject, said he had purposely withheld publishing any of his findings until the danger of starting large fires in urban sections of England had passed.

In the 12,000-word booklet Dr. Zanetti describes the use of incendiary bombs in the present war as "inept" and "inefficient."

"Simultaneous use of both incendiary and demolition bombs indicates lack of planning, co-ordination, and, especially, lack of realisation of the possibilities of the incendiary bomb," he says. "The simultaneous or subsequent bombardments with high explosives, which have masked every reported attack with incendiary bombs, have provided the most thorough check to any possible conflagration."

To Impede Invasion

"The reason is not far to seek. Since the days of the ancient Romans, for example the great fires of Rome under Nero in 64 A. D., conflagrations have been stopped by razing houses in the path of the flames; this the demolition bomb can do to perfection."

Dr. Zanetti shows that England can use the incendiary bomb to her own advantage to impede the landing of invasion troops or the launching of boats carrying men.

"The advantage of a large number of small units released over an area without the necessity of specific aiming is worth considering," he explains. "A transport on fire when the landing troops are about to shove off would hardly be conducive to smoothness of operation. The same advantage of multiplicity holds in attacks against ammunition dumps, supply columns, and advance depots, all of which, containing much that is combustible, are apt to be guarded by anti-aircraft batteries and machine-guns, thus making it necessary to attack from great heights."

Dr. Zanetti says that the danger of conflagrations in slums is so great that from the point of view of defence the removal of slums will soon become an item in a programme of national defence. American cities, he argues, should be surveyed in planning protection against warfare by fire.

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GERMANS' AIM OF INVASION

Reports and comments of various Spanish correspondents in Berlin indicate that the Germans are every day becoming more obsessed with the idea that the war cannot be decided unless Germany herself beats Britain.

The correspondent of the Tangier Falangist organ "Espana" says the Germans consider that the principal theatre of war is Britain's soil, and Hitler is determined to see that it is not shifted elsewhere.

The correspondent of the official Spanish Press agency grudgingly admits that "London will be able to take advantage of some good cards that have fallen into its hands," and adds: "The Fuehrer knows perfectly well that the real struggle lies between Britain and Germany, and will end only when the Germans have occupied London."

SOMEBODY IS BOILING

After a heavy raid on a Midlands city recently a gang of Pioneer Corps men went to clear up the debris and salvage stock in a well-known hotel.

Smothered with dust, they occasionally asked for a bucket of hot water to wash themselves.

The commanding officer of the Corps has now received a bill from the hotel manager: "To twelve gallons of hot water—2s. 6d."

KILLED BY A TIME BOMB

Several people were killed when a delayed action bomb exploded in a London district.

A police inspector died on the way to hospital and another man died in hospital from their injuries.

Two men, a woman, and two young children were taken to hospital.

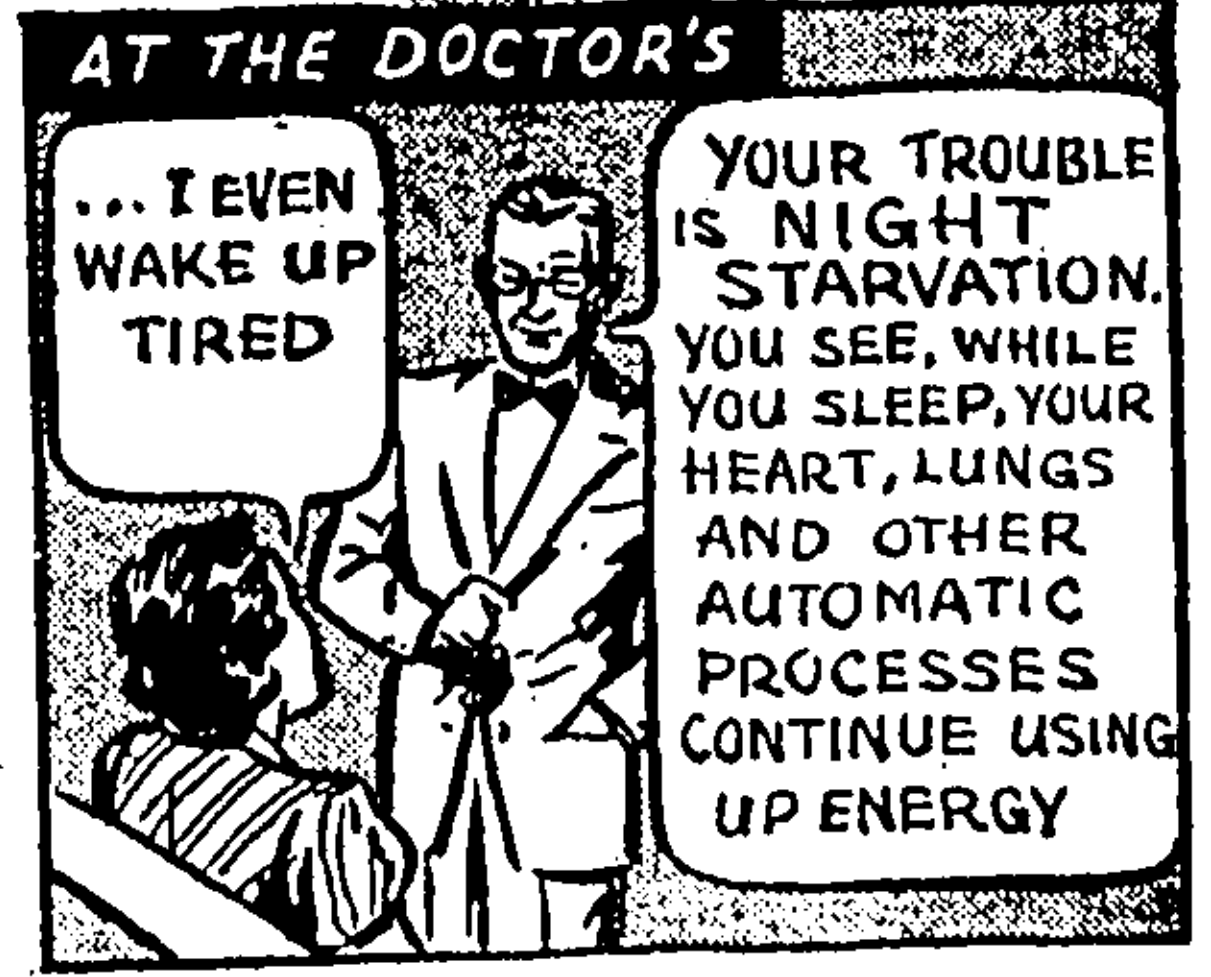
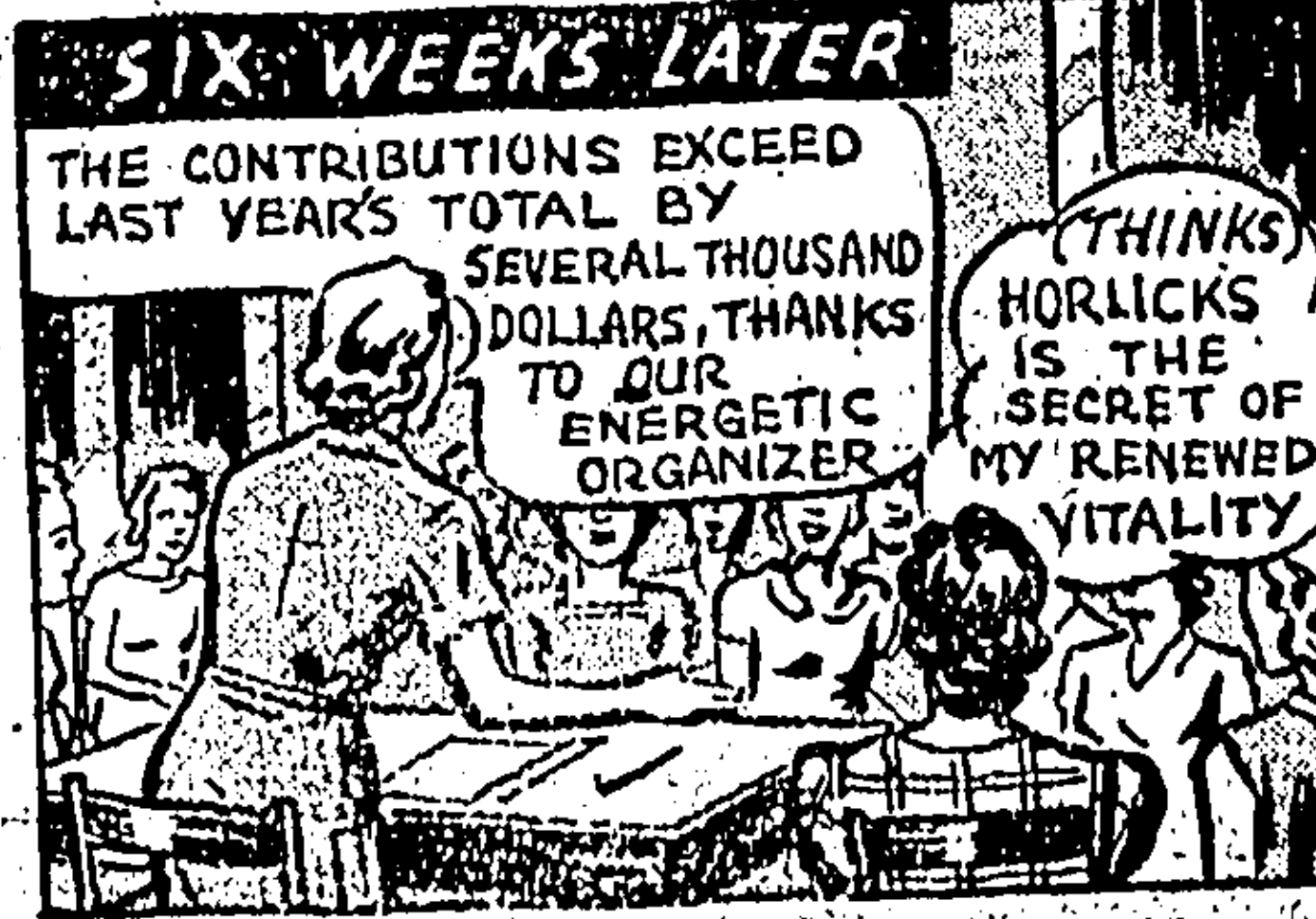
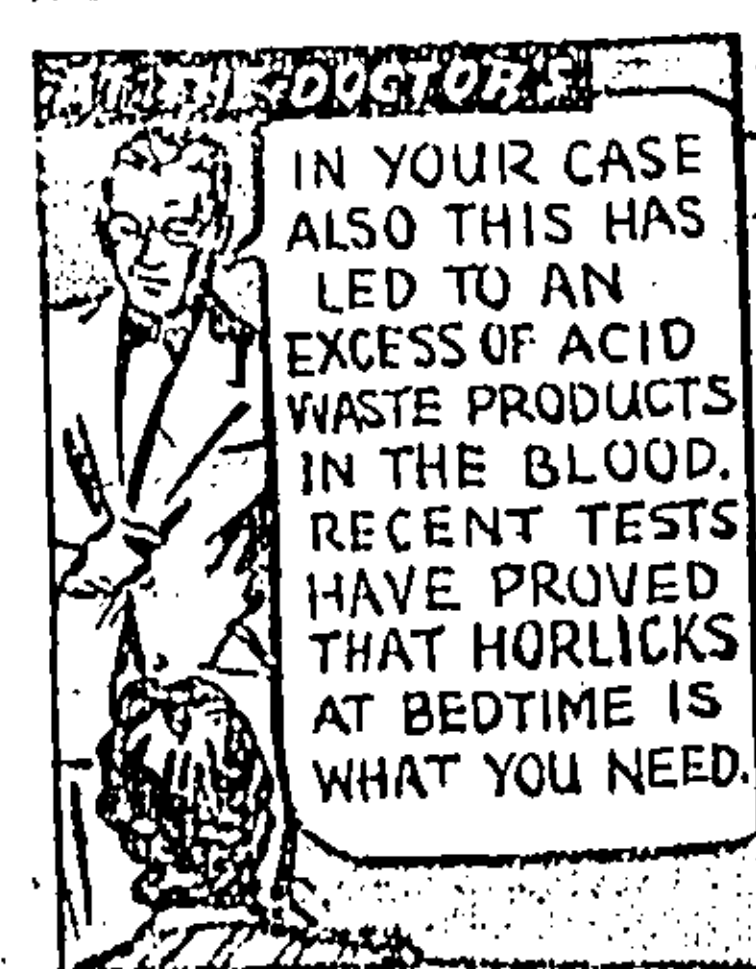
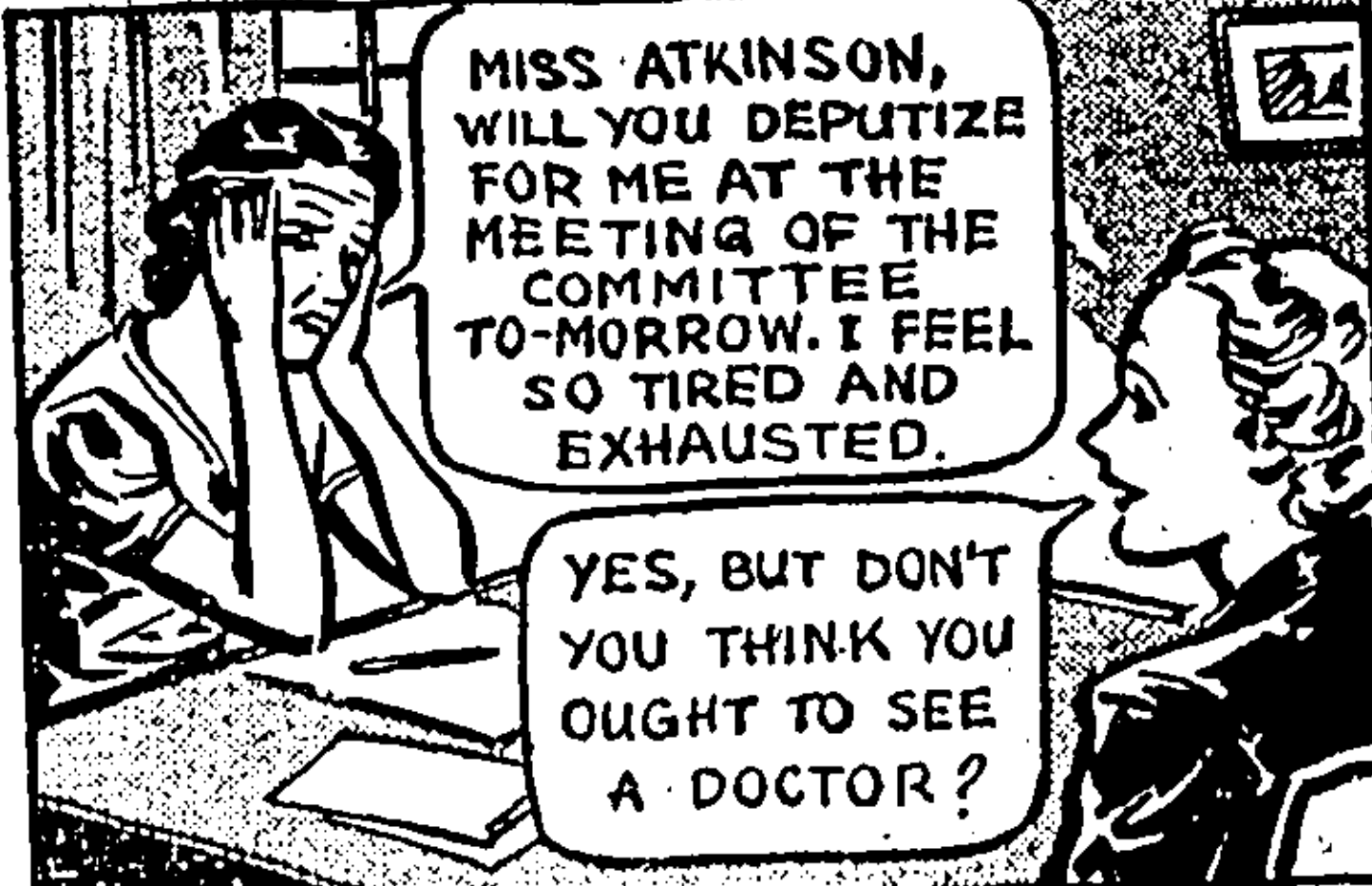
The bomb had fallen at a garage behind a motor engineer's premises. Both were wrecked and houses and shops nearby damaged. The occupants had been evacuated.

A.R.P. rescue squads were at work among the debris until dark but the search had to be discontinued before all the bodies had been recovered.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Hong Kong Refugee And Social Welfare Council NOTICE

It has come to the knowledge of the Hong Kong Refugee and Social Welfare Council that a woman is collecting funds in the Causeway Bay District for St. Peter's Food Kitchen without the permission of the Council. The Council has no collectors of this kind.

Householders are asked to inform the Police if they are asked to subscribe by this woman.

J. R. TAYLOR,

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The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1940, at the rate of Two Pounds Ten Shillings Sterling at exchange 1/2.7/8 is payable on and after the 26th February, 1941, at the offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1941.

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1. For Lighting from 15 cents to 10 cents per unit.
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PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Pui Shek, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4302	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4297, Ping Street, Kau Pui Shek	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	About 3,756	\$29	\$2,367
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Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1941.

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Entries close on SATURDAY, 1st March, 1941, at 6 p.m.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941

Postponed to:

THIRD DAY—

Monday,—24th February.

FOURTH DAY—

Tuesday,—25th February.

FIFTH DAY—

Saturday,—1st March.

On Monday, 24th and Tuesday, 25th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the third and fourth days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

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PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th February, 1941.

MISCELLANEOUS

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BRIDGE NOTES

Crime Doesn't Pay! No. 32

By The Four Aces

North and South were a trifle ambitious in their bidding, but the real Bridge crime took place during the play of the cards:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ K 10 6	♥ Q 9 3	♦ Q 9 6	♣ 10 9 5
♠ J 7 4 3 2	♥ A J 7 6	♦ 8 4 2	♣ A 6 2
♠ 8 4	♥ 10 6 3	♦ K 7 4	♣ A 9 8
♠ 10 6 3	♥ 10 6 3	♦ K 7 4	♣ A 9 8
♠ K 7 4	♥ 10 6 3	♦ K 7 4	♣ A 9 8

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
4NT	Pass	4NT	Pass

West properly interpreted his partner's double as calling for the first suit bid by the dummy, so he opted the eight of hearts. The Queen was played from the dummy, and East refused to win but encouraged a continuation by playing the seven of hearts. South ran his four diamonds, discarding a low club from dummy, and then led a low club from his hand. West put up the club King and returned the four of hearts, and East was able to take the Jack and Ace of hearts.

after which he led still another heart. Dummy won with the heart King, but South could not win nine tricks without leading clubs again—and the moment East got in with the club Ace he cashed his last heart and thus set the contract.

Even a second-rate Bridge detective can see that the criminal must be South, but it takes a first-rater to spot the crime. See if you can do it before you read any further.

South's crime occurred at the very first trick! The double and the opening lead should have made it obvious that East had a long heart suit headed by both Ace and Jack, so nothing could be lost by playing one of dummy's low hearts at the first trick. East could take the Jack and Ace of hearts, but then could not both establish and cash the fifth heart.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ A 10 9 7 3	♥ A J 9	♦ Q 8 7	♣ A Q
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The bidding:
You Jacoby Schenken Miler
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass
(?)

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. Two spades would be an underbid, and three spades would exaggerate the strength of the suit. Two no-trump conceals the re-bidability of the spades but accurately describes your general strength.

Score 100% for two no-trump, 60% for three no-trump, 40% for three spades, 30% for three diamonds, 20% for two spades.

Question No. 651

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Miler
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
(?)			

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The dinner will therefore be the main re-union and it is hoped that a representative gathering of those with associations with the two counties will result.

Those who are not members may obtain all particulars from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. L. Starling, residing at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon.

NEW A.D.C. SHOW

It is learned that the next production of the Hong Kong A.D.C. will be of A. A. Milne's comedy "Sarah Simple."

The play is now in preparation and booking will soon be opening at Anderson's for the performances which will open on March 19 and be repeated on the three following nights.

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United Express Expected To Win To-Morrow's Main Event

FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS

By "REFEPEE"

Both Divisions of the Shield Competition are now in the Semi-Final stages and while it is difficult to forecast the winners in the Junior division it seems that the Senior title will be between South China and Eastern if they are not drawn against each other in the next round.

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By far the best performance over the week end, was St. Joseph's victory over Sing Tao in the shield competition. St. Joseph's played hard, determined football and this upset the Sing Tao forwards but they will have to produce better form still, if they wish to advance still further in the competition.

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Kwong Wah gave Eastern a good game in the Senior Shield and appear to have been unfortunate to lose by the odd goal in three. Kwong Wah showed great improvement, but were beaten by a brilliant forward line.

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Royal Navy beat Royal Scots, but there was little difference in the score, a late goal giving the Sailors right of entry into the Semi-Final. Royals had several scoring opportunities, but failed badly in the goalmouth. Hosack, on the right wing, was always a source of danger but he lacked support.

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Some thrilling games are promised in the Junior Division as all the surviving teams are almost of equal strength. Sing Tao and South China may be handicapped if the ground is heavy but Service Corps and Navy are able to extend them even on a dry ground.

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The draw for the Semi-Final will take place at the Council meeting on Wednesday, March 12.

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Volunteer camp has again resulted in the postponement of several games this week end. There are still a number of postponed games to be played but it seems that, in spite of these postponements, the season will finish as scheduled.

SIGNALS' HOCKEY WIN

At Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Corps of Signals defeated Royal Engineers in the Third Round of the Small Units Knock-out Hockey Competition, by the only goal scored by Husband.



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Prospects For Last Day Of Annual Mtg.

By "Rapier"

THE 1941 ANNUAL RACE MEETING WILL BE CONCLUDED TOMORROW, THE LAST DAY, GENERALLY REGARDED AS AN OFF-DAY. THERE WILL BE NINE EVENTS ON THE PROGRAMME, MOST IMPORTANT BEING THE PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS, ENTRIES FOR WHICH WILL NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE RACE.

It will take some time for the track to recover from the rough treatment which it received during the last two days of racing, but the going should be somewhat firmer after the short rest.

RACE NO. 1. CAULFIELD STAKES:—ONE MILE

The opening race is confined to Australian ponies, griffins of this meeting with winners barred. Judging by performances during the current meeting, I should say that the following will be prominent:—

Gay Fox (Mr. Poy),
King's Welcome (Mr. Black),
Oracle (Mr. Needa),
Prairie View (Mr. Pih).

I favour Oracle; it was due to bad luck in the Austral Racing Stakes that it lost to Colooma by a short head. Prairie View was third in the same race with Oracle and should do better over the shorter distance.

Gay Fox ran very well up to the Rock in the Austral Hopeful Stakes, but it then faded out of the picture. It will probably make amends to-morrow.

King's Welcome has been a disappointment so far, but, given a firm track, it should reveal its true form.

I nominate Oracle to win with Prairie View second and Gay Fox third.

RACE NO. 2. FLEMINGTON PLATE:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to Australian Subscription ponies of 1941 that have not hitherto secured a win.

The following will probably be well up at the finish:—

A Surprising Time (Mr. Black),
Corsair (Mr. P. P. Botelho),
Optima Fide (Mr. Sokoloff),
Sydney Lady (Mr. Hearne).

A Surprising Time was third to Endeavour in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) over the mile, but as this pony is more of a sprinter, I cannot see it winning, although it will probably place again.

Corsair was third in the Warrego Plate and over the shorter distance I think its chances of winning are very bright, and Optima Fide, second to Maple Leaf in the Sandringham Plate, may do better over this distance.

Sydney Lady was second to Lex For in the Blue Mountains Plate (Second section) and should give Corsair a good fight for first place.

My choice is Corsair for first place, with Sydney Lady second and A Surprising Time third.

RACE NO. 3. NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES:—FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN

China ponies, griffins of this meeting that have not won, will figure in this race. Looking over the entries, I cannot see anything to touch Charlesber, which was third to Velvetlight in the Tyro Stakes over the mile, while Sam's Choice (Mr. Black) should have little difficulty in securing second place, with Wonderful Scheme taking the third position.

RACE NO. 4. HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to "B" Class, China ponies, winners at this meeting barred. Over the same distance in the Gymkhana Handicap, Hughber (Mr. Chang)

ran quite well, but was beaten by Conquering Time and Eve of Reason which dead-headed for the first position by a short head.

The finish in this race should be fought out between Hughber and Hillsboro Bay (Mr. Needa) which came up too late to secure the fourth position. There is Johnner also to be reckoned with as this pony is good enough to redeem itself if ridden by Mr. Chao. This is the first leg of the "Daily Double."

RACE NO. 5. YARRA STAKES:—FROM THE 1 1/2 MILE POST

There should not be much difficulty in picking out the winner of this race which is confined to Australian griffins of this season with winners barred. After its second placing behind Starlight in the Austral Grand Stand Stakes over this distance, I think that Nomine Poenae (Mr. Chao) should win, but Hascossay (Mr. Davis), which was third, should not be disregarded as it is also a fast-moving animal.

Misty View (Mr. Pih) should find no difficulty in getting the minor position.

RACE NO. 6. TAIPING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This is the second leg of the "Daily Double" and is confined to "C" Class, China ponies, with winners at this meeting barred.

With Gladiator, the winner of the Jockey Cup over the two mile post, out of the way, I should not be far wrong in nominating Potentate (Mr. Poy) to win this race. It will be recalled that this pony was leading on coming down the straight in the final run for home when it lost to Gladiator, a few yards from the winning post, by half a length.

There is Galveston Bay (Mr. Needa) to be reckoned with as this pony was third, losing by another

three lengths. Emergency Unit, if ridden by an experienced jockey, should also be there at the finish. However, I am inclined to back Potentate to win, with Galveston Bay second and Emergency Unit third.

RACE NO. 7. FLEMINGTON PLATE (SECOND SECTION):—ONE MILE

The second batch of Australian Subscription griffins of 1941 will try conclusions in this race, with winning ponies barred.

Mainsail (Mr. Yuen) put up a great show in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) when it lost to Endeavour, and judging by its performance in that race, it should win. Bugle (Mr. Moller) will probably be placed again.

Vitamin M. (Mr. Black) has not shown us anything as yet. The best it has done was to come in third in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (Third section) over six furlongs. However, if the track is firmer to-morrow it might easily account for this race.

RACE NO. 8. PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS:—1 1/4 MILES

This is the main event of the afternoon and I expect to see the following starting:—

United Express (Mr. Ip Kuling):

Endeavour (Mr. Moller);
Jus Gentium (Mr. Sokoloff);
Black Seal (Mr. Noodt);
Manhattan (Mr. Hearne);
Dutch Treat (Mr. P. P. Botelho);
Never-Never (Mr. Black);
Santa Anita (Mr. Liang).

United Express has three wins to its credit and judging from its run in the Rooty-Hill Derby, I must tip it to prove its superiority again.

Endeavour, the second pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, has im-

ATTACKING TIME LAME

Attacking Time, belonging to Negan and entered for the Taiping Handicap to-morrow, was found lame after its morning gallop to-day and Mr. K. I. Ip, the rider, dismounted near the seven furlongs post and led the pony back to the Paddock.

proved since its last run and should give a better account of itself although I cannot see it winning.

The shorter distance should be more to the liking of Manhattan, which I think will fight it out with Jus Gentium, the third pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, for the third place.

RACE NO. 9. BENARBA HANDICAP:—TWO MILES

This is the last race of the day and is confined to "C" and "D" Classes Australian Subscription ponies.

There is nothing much to choose from in this race and I think Venus Bay (Mr. Needa) should win as it will be running against weak opposition.

The only danger here is Warrego River (Mr. Black) which is good over this distance.

Cheerful Star (Mr. Tao) should not find any difficulty in taking the third position.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM

Following have been selected to represent the Colony in the forthcoming hockey Interport with Macao on March 9:

V. M. Benwell (Club)
V. C. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Goncalves (Recrelo)
R. Marques (Recrelo)
W. A. Reed (Nomada)
N. B. M. Whitley (C.B.A.)
Kaminder Singh (Khalsa)
Gurbachan Singh (Khalsa)
B. Gosano (Recrelo)
H. L. Ozorio (Recrelo)
W. Brown (Police)
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BADMINTON PAIRINGS

Following are leading Badminton League pairings—

"A" Division

P.	L.	W.	
K. W. Chee and C. K. Lee (University "A")	12	0	12
H. F. Chiu and P. K. Hui (University "A")	9	0	9
P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim (University "A")	6	1	6
M. P. Young and Y. P. Young (University "B")	6	1	5
C. Au and H. Koh (Chinese "Y")	9	4	5
C. Au and F. Koh (Chinese "Y")	6	2	4
J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves (Recreio)	12	8	4
C. K. Lee and S. L. Yong (University "B")	3	0	3
M. S. Lim and S. F. Yung (University "A")	3	0	3
T. T. Chin and F. L. Yung (University "B")	6	3	3
M. A. Oliveira and A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio)	12	9	3
F. Koh and C. Y. Yung (Chinese "Y")	12	9	3
P. H. Hon and H. F. Chiu (University "A")	3	1	2
C. K. Cheuk and K. B. Lim (University "B")	3	1	2
S. Amplanavar and A. P. Lee (University "B")	3	1	2
M. P. Young and Y. P. Young (University "A")	3	1	2
P. H. Wong and P. C. Lau (Chinese "Y")	6	4	2
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio)	12	10	2
P. H. Wong and C. Y. Yung (Chinese "Y")	3	2	1
P. H. Wong and T. W. Wong (Chinese "Y")	3	2	1
C. Au and P. H. Wong (Chinese "Y")	3	2	1
K. B. Low and S. Amplanavar (University "B")	3	2	1
C. K. Cheuk and S. Amplanavar (University "B")	3	3	0
H. Koh and T. C. Lau (Chinese "Y")	6	6	0

"B" Division

P.	L.	W.	
A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth (K.C.C.)	18	2	16
E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's)	18	4	14
N. L. Smith and P. Wilson (St. John's)	15	0	15
S. P. Chan and K. J. Attwell (King's)	12	0	12
H. Eardley and D. Kwok (St. John's)	12	0	12
C. F. Chiu and S. C. Liang (Chung Wah)	12	2	10
W. Gillies and L. Gordon (Police)	18	9	9
W. H. Choy and W. C. Choy (Chung Wah)	9	1	8
P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu (Chung Wah)	12	4	8
Peter Lo and J. Tsang (Kowloon Tong)	15	7	8
K. L. Lui and W. C. Chung (King's)	9	2	7
D. M. Xavier and S. A. Rum-Jahn (V.R.C.)	12	5	7
A. E. Brown and S. A. Gray (St. Andrew's)	12	5	7
T. Lam and K. H. Lo (King's)	15	8	7
J. L. Anderson and H. S. Jones (K.C.C.)	15	8	7
C. C. Pereira and E. A. R. Alves (Recreio)	9	3	6
J. Odell and M. Talan (J.R.C.)	9	3	6
M. M. Davies and B. Gillespie (St. Andrew's)	12	6	6
P. A. Yvanovich and P. P. Botelho (Recreio)	6	1	5
R. Maynard and G. S. Ladd (St. John's)	18	13	5
A. E. Xavier and A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	6	2	4
C. F. Chiu and P. C. Leung (Chung Wah)	3	1	2
S. C. Liang and K. F. Chiu (Chung Wah)	3	0	3
S. P. Chan and W. C. Chung (King's)	3	0	3
C. F. Chiu and W. H. Choy (Chung Wah)	3	0	3
E. A. R. Alves and B. T. Gosano (Recreio)	3	0	3
E. Zimmern and D. Hazell (K.C.C.)	3	0	3
W. Lawrence and A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	3	0	3
D. Hazell and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.)	6	3	3
D. Kwok and E. Kennard (St. John's)	6	3	3
H. T. Wop and K. L. Lui (King's)	6	3	3
A. E. P. Guest and E. Zimmern (K.C.C.)	6	3	3
J. L. Anderson and D. Hazell (K.C.C.)	3	1	2
H. S. Jones and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.)	3	1	2
F. H. Kwok and R. E. Lee (Kowloon Tong)	3	1	2
F. H. Kwok and J. Chan (Kowloon Tong)	6	3	3
R. E. Lee and K. M. Lee (Kowloon Tong)	3	1	2
S. C. Chan and Lee Po (Kowloon Tong)	3	1	2

F. S. Li and S. C. Liang (Chung Wah)	3	1	2
R. E. Lee and P. C. Fletcher (Kowloon Tong)	3	1	2
K. L. Lui and J. Pau (King's)	3	1	2
K. H. Lo and W. C. Chung (King's)	3	1	2
N. Whitley and N. L. Smith (St. John's)	3	1	2
W. H. Choy and S. F. Lee (Chung Wah)	6	3	9
S. T. Chan and S. C. Chan (Kowloon Tong)	6	4	2
S. Ramler and B. Godkin (J.R.C.)	9	7	2
A. Basto and M. M. de V. Soares (V.R.C.)	12	10	2
W. C. Choy and K. F. Chiu (Chung Wah)	3	2	1
E. A. R. Alves and P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio)	3	2	1
A. E. Xavier and R. M. Soares (Recreio)	3	2	1
O. el Arculli and S. A. Rum-Jahn (V.R.C.)	3	2	1
B. Godkin and M. Talan (J.R.C.)	3	2	1
N. A. E. Mackay and J. A. Chen (Kowloon Tong)	3	2	1
R. E. Lee and F. S. Ko (Kowloon Tong)	3	2	1
H. Dingsdale and C. Y. Sui (Police)	3	2	1
N. A. E. Mackay and R. E. Lee (Kowloon Tong)	2	2	1
A. E. Xavier and E. M. Alarcon (Recreio)	1	2	1
A. R. Poliak and L. Landau (J.R.C.)	6	5	1
A. Poliak and M. Talan (J.R.C.)	6	5	1
B. Godkin and J. Odell (J.R.C.)	6	5	1
J. MacDonald and H. Dingsdale (Police)	9	8	1
F. Castro and A. A. Remedios (V.R.C.)	12	11	1
A. Odell and S. Ramler (J.R.C.)	3	3	0
P. P. Botelho and A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	3	3	0
R. Hogarth and J. Shepherd (Police)	3	3	0
D. M. Xavier and S. Souza (V.R.C.)	3	3	0
A. Basto and A. A. Noronha (V.R.C.)	3	3	0
A. E. Brown and M. M. Davis (St. Andrew's)	3	3	0
A. S. Bliss and V. Merrett (St. Andrew's)	3	3	0
M. M. Davis and M. Merrett (St. Andrew's)	3	3	0
E. H. White and J. Tomlinson (St. Andrew's)	3	3	0
S. Ramler and L. Landau (J.R.C.)	3	3	0
A. R. Poliak and S. Ramler (J.R.C.)	3	3	0
L. Landau and A. Odell (J.R.C.)	3	3	0
H. Dingsdale and J. Ferrier (P.R.C.)	3	3	0
C. Y. Sin and J. Shepherd (P.R.C.)	3	3	0
R. Hogarth and J. Ferrier (P.R.C.)	3	3	0
R. M. Lavalie and S. T. Chan (Kowloon Tong)	3	3	0
Peter Lo and M. S. Lee (Kowloon Tong)	3	3	0
H. A. Barros and A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	3	3	0
A. E. Xavier and H. A. Noronha (Recreio)	3	3	0
A. R. Poliak and A. Odell (J.R.C.)	3	3	0
T. J. Mackay and R. Hogarth (Police)	3	3	0
A. R. S. Major and C. Y. Siu (Police)	9	9	0



SWAY

By BEST BALL

The initial difference between swaying and proper body turn is well illustrated by the examples above. In the lower figure, a definite sway has already taken place. The upper part of this player's body has already moved perceptibly to the right, so that both the shoulder and head position are considerably removed from the orthodox stance at address. In fact so flagrant is the error that the player appears to be pushing his body to the right with his left leg. The fact that the left ankle at this point is still unyielding and not flexed inward adds the element of tension to a stroke that has no definite centre and can only be brought back to the ball accurately by making the same amount of sway forward on the downstroke. In the upper figure an example of true body turn is portrayed, the head remaining in the same position it occupied at address and the body turning around easily beneath it.

Next Article:—Dragging The Clubhead.

CYCLONES

The following will represent Cyclones Softball team in their League match against St. Joseph's on Sunday, at Kowloon F.C. at 1.30 p.m.

A. R. Razack (Capt.), "Pinky" Pineda, Kelly Silva-Netto, A. K. Marker, Barney Abbas, A. A. Rumjahn, S. Bux, K. M. Rumjahn, Coffee Baker, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Abbas and A. R. Marker.	9	9	0
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ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDOY"

VALEDICTORY

WE regret to announce the departure of Captain A. W. F. Peal, of Middlesex Regiment, who left for home yesterday, and who for the past 14 months has carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary Army Association Football, Athletics, and Tug-of-war.

Whilst carrying out these duties he has improved the standard of these sports immensely, and has done a great deal in general for Army Sports.

He has particularly improved Army Football, and is the first Hon. Secretary for Football during the past four seasons to assist in selecting a winning Army side, which defeated the Chinese in the Semi-Final of the Lau Wah Cup.

He will be greatly missed by all who have come in contact with him, and we wish him every success in his new sphere of life, and wherever he is bound for, all ranks of the Garrison wish him "Bon Voyage."

CROSS COUNTRY

Last Monday, Combined Small Units challenged Middlesex Regt. to a cross country run, which resulted in a fine win for the latter.

The Dehards did very well in this run, having seven men in the first ten home.

L/Cpl. Dunne, Middlesex, was the first home followed by L/Cpl. Heather, Middlesex and Cpl. Hobson, Middlesex third.

Middlesex are strong favourites for the Command Cross Country (British Ranks run) which is taking place on Tuesday, March 4, starting and finishing from the Hong Kong Polo ground.

SOCCER

TO-MORROW at Sookunpoo Middlesex and Royal Scots meet for their First division League encounter.

The former, who at present are playing well to form, should have no difficulty in accounting for the Scots.

Royal Engineers and the Royal Army Service Corps, who are both fighting it out for the Second Division honours have both a difficult match this week-end, and neither can afford to make a slip.

Both have played the same number of games and the Engineers are three points in the lead. Service Corps, who have scored 90 goals in the League football this season, have only another six to score to equal the goal-scoring record.

Engineers have another 14 goals to get to equal this record. Both have six more games to play and anything is liable to happen.

Service Corps are still in the Junior Shield and it is rather hard to concentrate on both the Championship, and the Shield. The Engineers have nothing to worry about in the Shield as they were knocked-out in the last round.

There are now three players, who are running for first place in the goal scoring table.

Jennings, of Middlesex, Fox and Lee Wai Lam, of the Engineers, who have all scored 29 goals, are leading all the divisions. Hendy, Royal Navy, heads the First Division with 19 goals, and Brackenbury, Signals, heads the Third Division with N. Jones of the Engineers.



RUGBY

IN the seven-a-side rugby tournament held at the Club ground on Wednesday two Army teams were again successful.

8th Hvy. Regt., R.A. "A" team defeated Combined Small Units "A" by six points to nil, and Middlesex Regt. "B" defeated Club "B" by five points to three after having a five point lead at the interval.

At Sookunpoo on Tuesday two matches were played in the Large Units Rugby League.

Royal Scots drew with Combined Small Units, three points all, and Royal Engineers beat Middlesex Regt. eight points to three. Engineers are still undefeated in the League, and the league table to date is as follows.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Royal Engineers	4	4	0	0	8
Royal Artillery	3	2	0	1	4
Royal Scots	3	1	1	1	3
Middlesex	4	1	0	3	2
Combined Small Units	4	0	1	3	1

Captain R. E. Guest of the Middlesex Regt. has taken over the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary Army Association Football, Athletics, and Cross Country.

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Barbara Soong.

A fine exhibition of Duck Pin bowling was given on February 21, by Miss Barbara Soong, the 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. Elsie Soong. Barbara is following very closely in her mother's footsteps, and in the course of a year or so Mrs. Soong will probably have to take a back seat in this game, at least as far as her daughter is concerned.

Mrs. Soong is one of the best Lady Duck Pin bowlers in the Colony and holds the record for the Alleys both for Ladies and Gentlemen with a 168 made in March 1936.

Barbara Soong's feat, on Feb. 21, was as follows—

She played eleven games, her scores being 74, 70, 81, 77, 67, 80, 71, 61, 88, 62 and 73, giving an aggregate of 810 pins or an average of 73.7 pins per game.

Adult Duck Pin Bowling fans will agree that it is a very difficult to average 70 to 80 pins for eleven games, and it is therefore all the more creditable that a "kiddie" of 10 should have done so well. With a bit of luck on her ninth game she might easily have made 100 pins.

Surprise Win

The third round of the Singles Handicap Competition is well under way. One match was played on February 14, and this resulted in a surprise win for N. D. Gardner (150) over S. A. Ismail (7+26) by 484 to 403.

Ismail was expected to win despite his heavy handicap, but he bowled much below his usual form. Gardner actually won the encounter without his handicap by nine pins, and would have

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

done better if he had not made a lowly 111-pins on his second game, after scoring 160 on his first game, and 141 on his third game.

Closer Finish

A much closer match was played on the same day between C. M. Williams and Sig. W. Devlin of the Royal Corps of Signals. Both were plus 43, Williams winning by 31 pins, the scores being Williams 518 and Devlin 487.

Both players had one poor game each. Williams after putting up a good 195, and 190 on his first and second games, dropped to a poor 133 on his third.

Devlin who has been playing good Ten Pin bowls lately, and was expected to win, started off with a fair 162, then a poor 131, and finished strongly with a good 194.

On February 19, Sig. A. Cleggett (Royal Corps of Signals) met H. E. Waller. Cleggett was plus 26 and Waller plus 43, and the former managed to pull through by the extremely low margin of seven pins. The scores were Cleggett 454 and Waller 447.

Ernie Hearther, the veteran bowler, received a shock when he played Gm. Cooper on February 24. The match was also in

the third round of the Singles Handicap Competition, and although Cooper is known to be a hard fighter the consensus was that Hearther would win. However, Cooper won by no less than 102 pins, which included his handicap of plus 43. Hearther was plus 10 and, therefore had to concede the formidable margin of 99 pins for the three games. The scores were Cooper 568 and Hearther 466.

Tulsa's Win

There was a very interesting five-game Ten Pin match on February 20, between our old friends of the "Tulsa" and a team led by Ernie Hearther. Hearther's team were walloped by no less than 153 pins, the scores being Tulsa 3343 and Hearther's Team 3181.

Nichoff, for Tulsa, was the star bowler of the match. He bagged 950 or an average of exactly 190 pins per game, and for this he was presented with two books of tickets for twenty-five games, by the management of the Alleys. He also notched the highest individual score of the match, a brilliant 246 pins on his third game.

Ernie Hearther was second top scorer with 928. He also netted 220 on his fourth game. His performance during this match was

better than that against Cooper in the Singles Handicap Competition as I mentioned previously.

Petersen, for Tulsa, was third top scorer with 810. He also registered the second highest individual score of the match with 233 pins, which he made on his first game. His effort on this occasion was as follows:—commencing with a spare on his first frame, he then made a strike on his second frame, a spare on his third frame, a strike on his fourth frame. He failed on his fifth frame to make a nine, and then struck out with seven strikes in a row, on his sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and 10th frames and the two extra balls. It was a good effort indeed!

Engle, for Tulsa, also did his share in beating Hearther's team by putting up a very useful 812. He would have done much better had he not dropped down to a very poor 130 which he made on his fourth game.

Ross, for Tulsa, was called in at the last moment to complete the side. This was his first match game in these Alleys, and his 662 was not so good.

Had either Shanty Moore or Tony Borg been available for Tulsa there would have been a much bigger victory for the Tulsa.

Waller and Williams for Ernie Hearther's team, did not seem at all comfortable. Waller's 719 or average of 144, while being quite fair was not good enough, while Williams bowled well below his usual form and made a 696 or an average of 139 pins per game.

BAXTER TOPS BATTING AVERAGES

Thanks to an innings of 74, not out, D. J. N. Anderson, of Kowloon Cricket Club, has jumped to top place in the League Cricket batting averages, his figures being 105.50. Incidentally, Anderson is the only man in the League to have scored more than 200 runs.

A. H. Madar, I.R.C., is second in the list with an average of 80, while young J. M. Gosano, the only other man to have topped the three-figure mark apart from Anderson, has an average of 57.

Most successful bowler up-to-date is N. D. Lloyd (K.C.C.) whose 20 wickets cost him an average of a little over 9 runs apiece.

In the Second Division K. M. Baxter's average of 119.00 places him at the head of the table, while M. A. Wahab, thanks to two not-out innings, boasts an average of 82.

FIRST DIVISION BATTING

(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	Avg.
D. J. N. Anderson	4	2	211	74*	105.50
A. H. Madar	2	1	80	41	80.00
A. J. Hulse	2	1	58	58*	58.00
J. M. Gosano	3	1	114	75*	57.00
L. T. Ride	3	1	96	66*	48.00
E. L. Gosano	3	1	95	81*	47.50
T. V. N. Fortescue	2	1	46	36*	46.00
G. N. Gosano	3	1	90	46*	45.00
L. G. Gosano	2	1	41	38*	41.00
A. R. H. Esmail	2	1	32	20	32.00
A. R. Kitchell	2	0	57	45	28.50
E. F. Fincher	2	0	48	47	24.00
N. C. Sen Gupta	2	1	23	16*	23.00
J. E. Richardson	2	0	46	31	23.00
A. H. Rumjahn	2	0	46	36	22.50
F. J. Lay	3	0	65	34	21.67
G. Souza	2	0	39	36	19.50
D. Hung	4	0	75	34	18.75
K. M. Rumjahn	2	0	33	17	16.50
N. Singh	2	1	16	15*	16.00
K. Y. Tam	3	0	46	22	15.33
N. A. E. Mackay	4	1	46	28	15.00

BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.	
A. K. Ismail	9	1	0	31	7	4.43
G. N. Gosano	3	1	18	2	9	9.00
N. D. Lloyd	52	7	4	187	20	9.35
E. L. Gosano	28	3	3	71	7	10.14
P. M. N. da Silva	12	2	53	5	10	10.80
A. J. Hulse	10	1	41	3	13	13.67
F. R. Zimmermann	44	6	136	9	15	15.11
A. R. Minu	27	1	155	9	17	17.22
W. S. Gegg	28	1	152	8	19	19.00

SECOND DIVISION BATTING

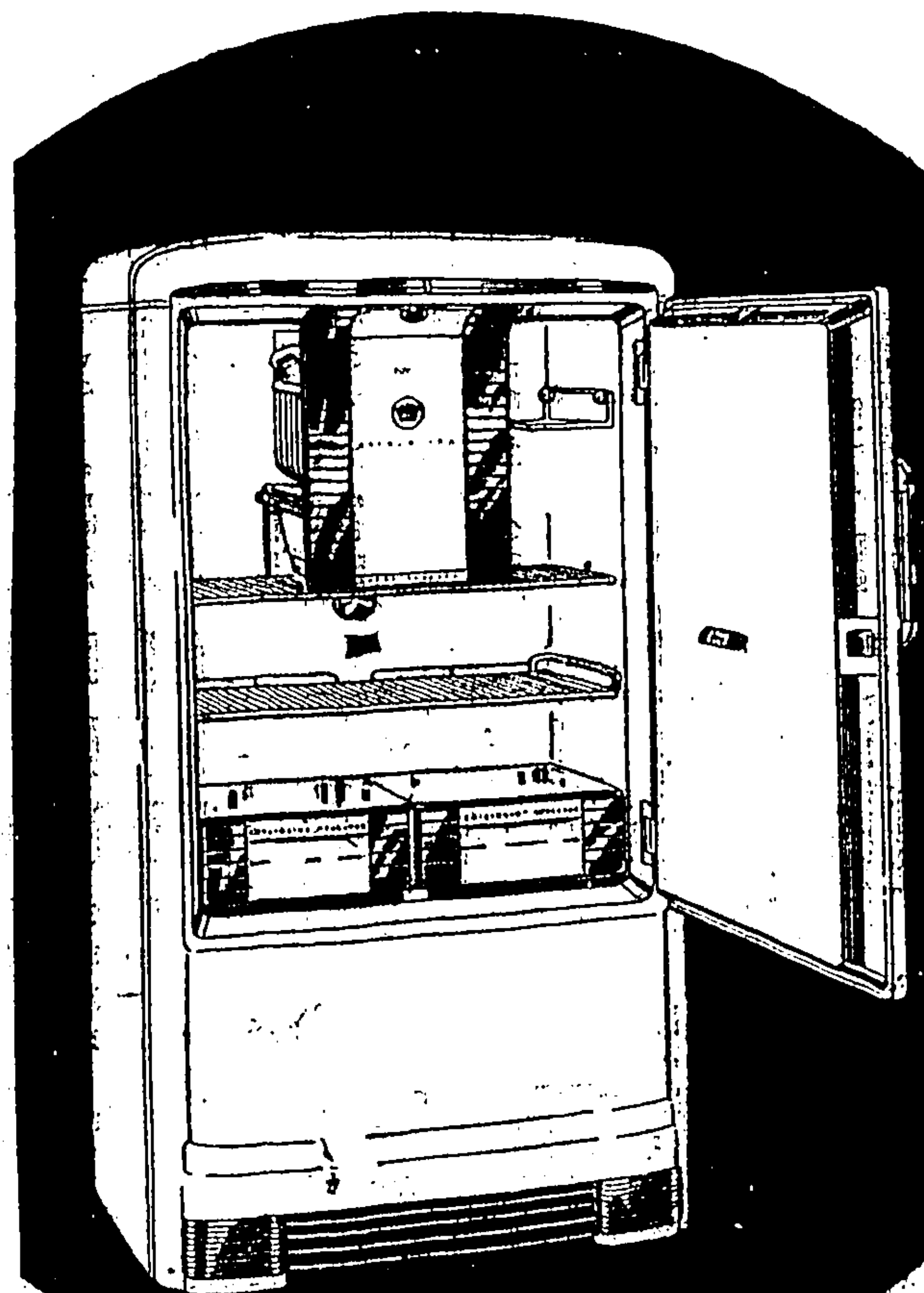
(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	Avg.
K. M. Baxter	4	2	238	103*	119.00
M. A. Wahab	3	2	82	31	82.00
T. A. Madar	4	1	139	104*	46.33
A. B. Hamson	3	1	83	47*	41.50
G. Stone	3	1	78	78*	39.00
U. H. Esmail	3	2	38	23*	38.00
K. Lo	5	1	134	63*	33.50
R. S. Gill	3	1	54	36	27.00
M. R. Abbas	4	0	107	69	26.75
F. J. Remedios	4	1	79	50*	26.33
D. Chelliah	4	0	102	40	25.50
J. Barrow	2	0	47	36	23.50
U. M. Omar	2	0	46	25	23.00
G. Ainslie	3	0	66	50	22.00
M. A. Remedios	4	0	87	44	21.75
W. L. Clark	2	0	43	39	21.50
W. L. Rapley	3	0	69	25	19.67
T. All	4	2	39	21*	19.50
A. E. Carey	4	0	76	26	19.00
H. Tyler	4	0	75	41	18.75
E. A. Lee	4	0	75	59	18.75
H. T. Barmin	3	0	60	19	16.67
C. W. Lam	4	0	66	25	16.50
A. R. Sufflad	4	0	60	28	15.00

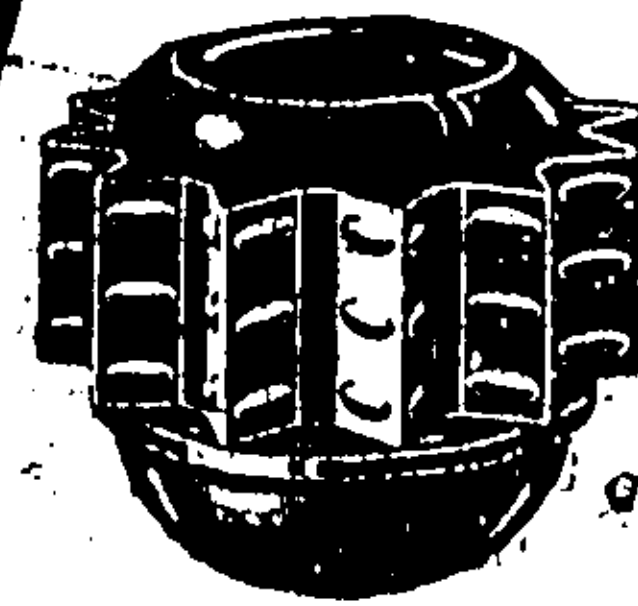
BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.	
J. E. Taylor	7	2	16	4	4.00	
R. J. Fenton	11	0	2	42	10	4.20
P. M. N. da Silva	31	8	89	17	4	4.70
M. A. Remedios	18	2	52	11	4	4.73
A. M. Omar	42	2	9	113	18	6.27
R. Baldwin	14	4	0	81	9	6.78
K. M. Baxter	8	1	35	5	7	7.00
G. Stone	16	1	66	8	8	8.25
U. H. Esmail	20	6	1	77	9	8.44
N. L. Smith	22	4	77	8	8	8.63
M. R. Abbas	35	3	0	166	17	9.76
R. S. Gill	19	4	78	8	8	9.76
H. Danbrowsky	16	2	123	10	12	12.80
W. K. Way	9	1	37	3	12	12.83
A. E. Carey	41	6	8	154	11	14.00
J. Ainslie	11	7	0	57	4	14.25
A. el Arculli	47	8	180	9	16	16.44
M. B. Hassan	4	0	20	1	20	20.00



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WASHINGTON AND FAR EAST TENSION

The United States Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, was to see both the new Japanese Ambassador, Admiral Nomura, and the Soviet Ambassador, M. Oumansky, in Washington yesterday afternoon, says Reuter.

JOHN WINANT FLYING TO ENGLAND

Mr. John G. Winant, new American Ambassador to Britain, left by Clipper for Lisbon yesterday en route to London.

In the statement made before leaving, Mr. Winant said that he and President Roosevelt were in agreement on the policy of material aid to Britain, and he would do his best to carry through that policy.

Whatever is done must depend on whatever the American

NATIONALS ORDERED TO EVACUATE IN PRESSURE TACTICS

ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS from Tokyo the Japanese Consul-General yesterday summoned representatives of Japanese residents in Saigon and advised them to prepare to evacuate Indo-China at a moment's notice in view of the mounting tension over the Tokyo conference.

Japanese in Saigon, totalling 120, immediately started preparations to evacuate.

The notice is described in Tokyo as a "perfectly proper measure," in the event of the Tokyo mediation failing.

The French Ambassador to Japan is at present conferring with Matsuo and it is presumed he will be transmitting Vichy's reply to what is described in Japanese official quarters as Japan's "final proposals" for settlement of the border dispute with Thailand.

Semi-official Japanese reports reveal uncertainty "whether a satisfactory agreement can be reached."

THE WITHDRAWAL NOTICE FOLLOWS THE WARNING CHORUS IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS THREATENING DRASTIC CONSEQUENCES SHOULD EITHER THAI OR THE FRENCH REJECT THE JAPANESE PROPOSALS.

people make it possible to do in the weeks and months ahead.

"We all know what England is doing and we recognise the gallantry, sacrifice and unity of her people under the leadership of Mr. Winston Churchill," he declared. — Reuter.

Thai Ready To Accept ?

It is believed in Tokyo that the Thai delegates are ready to accept the territorial cession proposed by the Japanese but that the French have opposed any revision of the border from the outset.

Government officials declared in Tokyo yesterday that they were not nervous about the outcome and said that the orders to Japanese to withdraw from Indo-China was a perfectly proper measure in case of failure of the mediation effort. — Reuter.

Japanese Bases

The Japanese military forces, in preparation for the Southward expansion, have been most active in the vicinity of Hainan and Canton, according to the Chinese military spokesman in Chungking.

Declaring that the Japanese are using Hainan Island as the main base of the southward move, the spokesman said that the Japanese are strengthening the harbour fortifications there, particularly at Yulin harbour on the southern tip of the island.

The Japanese are also said to be establishing new supply depots and bases along the Kwangtung coast, including Bias Bay.

China's Interest

The defence of the Southern Pacific with Great Britain, the United States and the Dutch East Indies was emphasised in a special article in yesterday's Chinese official newspaper, the "Central Daily News," which declares: There are 10 million Chinese residing in the south-east whose lives and property are directly threatened by Japan's southward expansion.

"Therefore China must have discussions with the powers concerned with a view to joint defence in the Southern Pacific." — Reuter.

SHUFFLE IN N. CHINA

MAJOR-GENERAL MORIOKA, HEAD OF THE CHINA AFFAIRS BOARD IN PEIPING, IS RELINQUISHING HIS POST ON PROMOTION. HIS SUCCESSOR HAS NOT YET BEEN NOMINATED.

It is strongly rumoured in Chinese circles that Wang I-tang, head of the North China Political Affairs Commission, will resign, and it is also believed that the former head, Wang Keh-min, will resume that post. — Reuter.

THE ST. CYR OF FREE FRANCE

A military college, which is destined to become the St. Cyr of Free France in Africa, has been opened at Brazzaville by General de Larmenat, High Commissioner of Free French Africa, according to Free French circles in London.

The college at present houses 125 cadets, most of whom escaped from France to join General de Gaulle.

The college is called Camp Colonna Dornado. — Reuter.

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STOP PRESS

American banks in Hong Kong, the "China Mail" understands, are closing all gold dollar accounts in April.

From April 1 gold dollar savings accounts will be discontinued, while current accounts in gold dollars will cease to be carried from April 15.

It is learned that the measure, which is a precautionary one in view of the Far East tension, means that transactions in gold dollars will only be dealt with in New York.

MASS NAZI RAID ON MALTA

A big German air attack on Malta was made on Wednesday, according to an official Cairo communique, which says that a considerable force of enemy aircraft attempted a large-scale attack.

Forty German bombers, escorted by nearly as many fighters, attacked the aerodrome at Luga and some damage was caused to R.A.F. property, but there were no casualties to R.A.F. personnel.

British fighters, although greatly outnumbered, attacked the enemy and two Junkers 87's were shot down and a number of others probably destroyed.

Italians Not Yet Told

It was pointed out in official circles in London yesterday that Italians have not yet been told of the heavy defeat in the fall of Mogadiscio.

Official comment on the description in the Italian communique of the Malta attack points out that it makes no reference to the facts given in the Malta communique that the attackers lost two planes to British fighters and five to A.A. fire, while six were so badly damaged that they probably did not reach their bases. — Reuter.

ALASKA DEFENCE TIGHTENED

Three additional United States Air Corps have just gone to Alaska and three more are scheduled to go there within two months.

This announcement was made by the Secretary of War, Mr. Henry Stimson, in Washington yesterday.

He added that the U.S. Army's experiments with parachute troops had been so successful that the strength of this wing was to be increased fourfold. — Reuter.

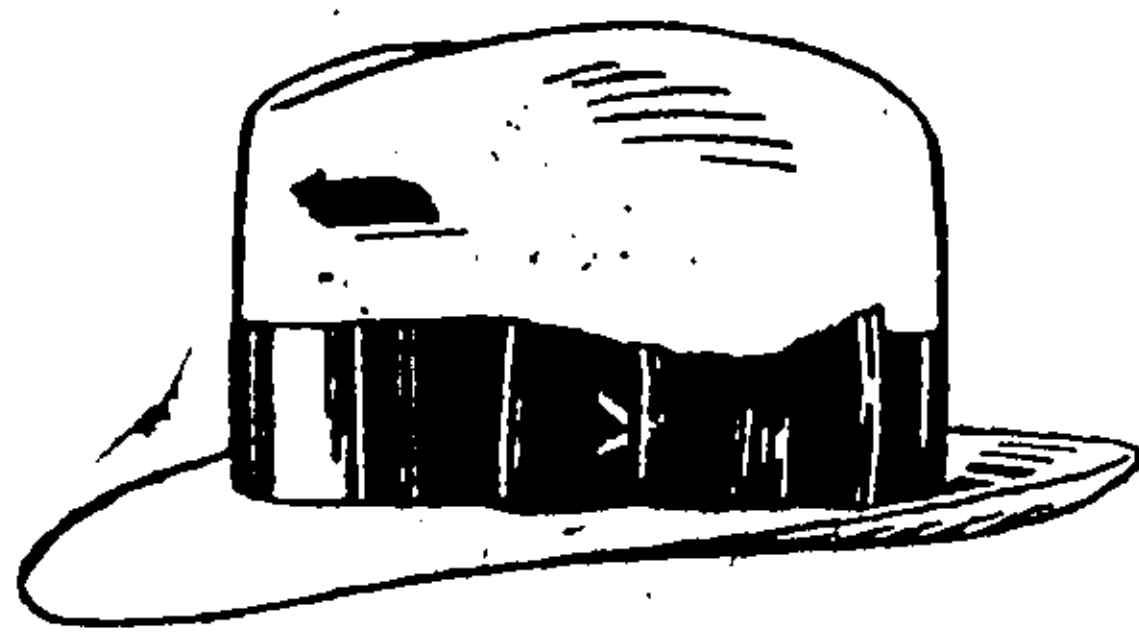
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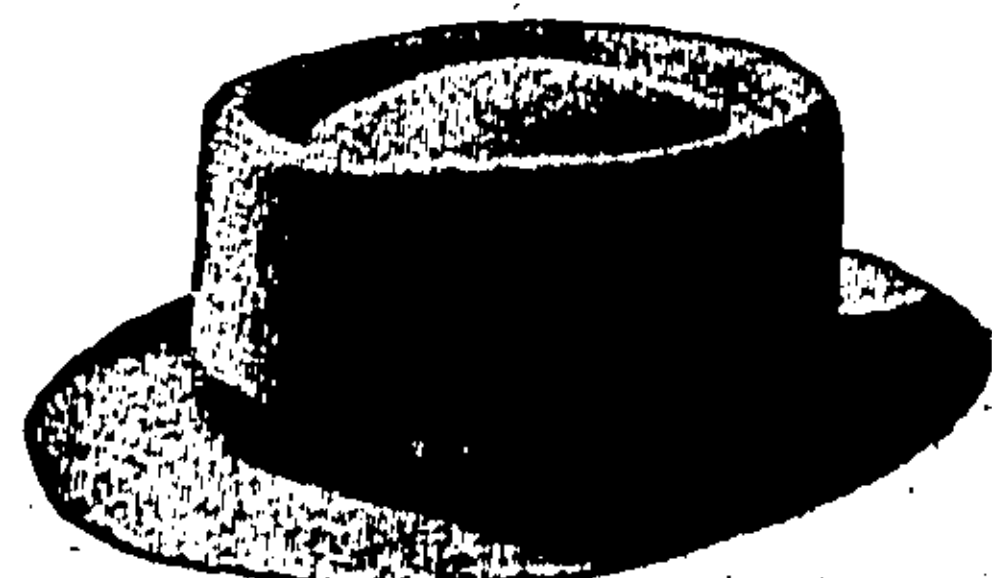
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Artillery Duels In Albania

Bad weather is still holding up large-scale operations on the Albanian battle-front, states a Greek Press Ministry communique in Athens yesterday.

Greek artillery, however, continued to pound enemy positions with marked success and much damage by shells bursting in Italian trenches was registered.

At one point an Italian column received direct hits and suffered heavy losses.

The Greek Air Force continued to drop bombs on military targets, store dumps, columns on the march and motor-transport concentrations. — Reuter

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS LEAVES FOR ISTANBUL

According to a Moscow despatch to the official German news agency, Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, when he left the Soviet capital by plane yesterday for Istanbul, was accompanied by Mr. John Russell, of the British Embassy, and Squadron-Leader Charlton Allamell, British Air Attache. — Reuter.

Huge Conflagrations In R. A. F. Raid

ALTOGETHER 150 FIRES WERE BURNING AT ONE TIME IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AS RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY A STRONG FORCE OF R.A.F. BOMBERS.

The attack proceeded systematically for two and a half hours. As incendiaries, sticks of bombs and heavy bombs followed each other, patches of fire grew until they joined into huge conflagrations devouring warehouses and factories.

Wild Fights In Holland

Reports of "wild and bloody fights" between Jews and Dutch Nazis in Amsterdam — placed this week under martial law by the Germans — have reached "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The newspaper states that in the Jewish district of Amsterdam there have been fights as a result of uniformed Dutch Storm Troopers marching through the quarter.

There was widespread fighting on February 12, when parties of young men attacked marching Nazis.

Civilians and policemen were injured and one Nazi was found dead on the pavement.

The police then isolated a large part of the town to prevent further demonstrations.

The newspaper adds that Jewish leaders addressed Jews in the town, exhorting them to show calm and dignity whatever the provocation. — Reuter.

SWEDISH GUNS FIRE ON NAZI PLANE

flew over the south coast of the A two-engined German bomber Swedish island of Shaakenoon yesterday, according to an official announcement in Stockholm.

The bomber was driven off by anti-aircraft fire. — Reuter.

EMERGENCY BILL GOES TO SENATE

The emergency Bill to provide US\$1,533,000,000 for Army and Navy construction and development programmes was yesterday passed by the House of Representatives and has been sent to the Senate. — Reuter.

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16 CASUALTIES IN AIR CRASH

Casualties in the crash of the Eastern Air lines plane in Georgia are now given as seven killed and nine injured, says a Reuter message from Atlanta.

Among the dead is Representative William Pryor, Democratic Congressman from Maryland. — Reuter.

CLOUD-DODGING DAYLIGHT RAIDERS OVER BRITAIN

CLOUD-DODGING German air-raiders were more numerous and busier over Britain during daylight yesterday than for some time.

Bombs were dropped in the outskirts of London and at a number of places in East Anglia and there were a small number of casualties.

QUISLING VIOLENCE

A fresh example of Quislingite violence towards Norwegian school-children, was reported yesterday by the Norwegian News Agency.

According to the Swedish newspaper "Social Demokraten," a detachment of Quisling storm troopers forced their way into a school at Sken and demanded to be taken to a class in which were several boys whom they alleged had maltreated a member of the Quisling Youth Guard.

The leader of the storm troopers jumped on the teacher's desk and ordered four boys to follow him to an outhouse

One raider, after dive-bombing an East Coast town, machine-gunned children going to school but all escaped.

SEVERAL CHILDREN WERE KILLED BY BOMBS DROPPED ON ONE EAST ANGLIAN TOWN AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT AT LEAST TWO GERMAN RAIDERS WERE DESTROYED.

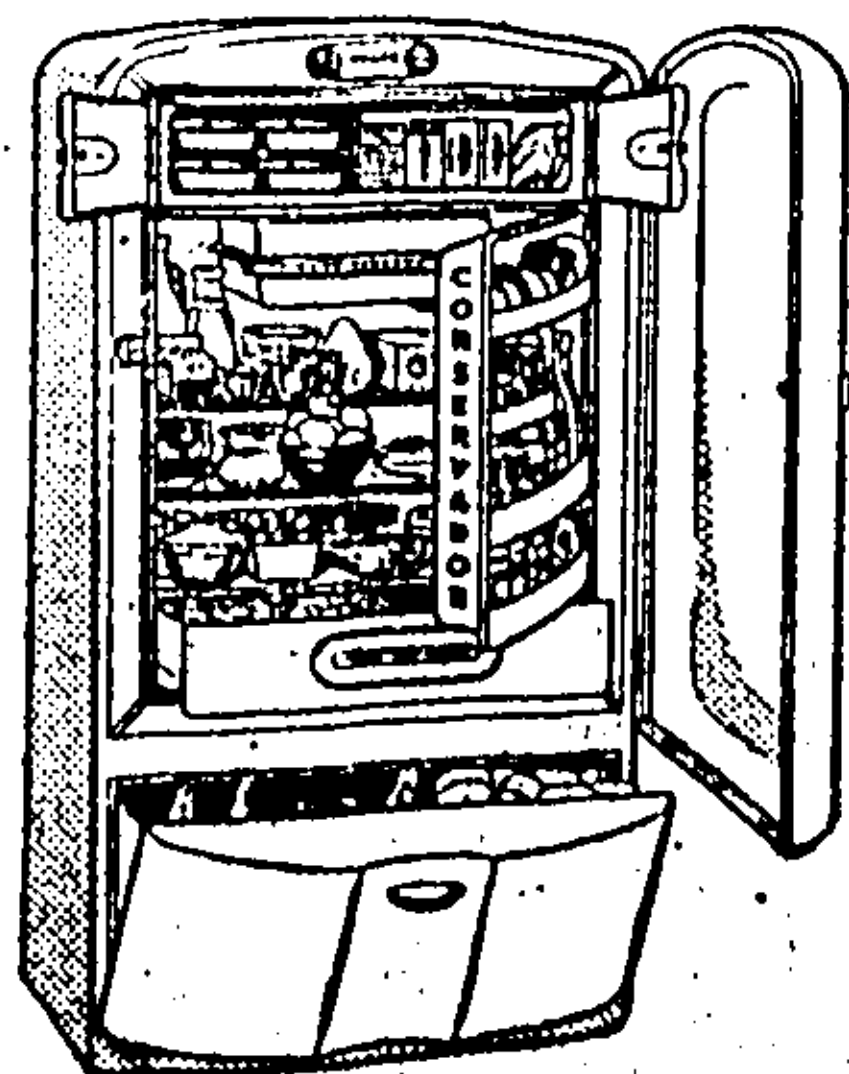
One Heinkel bomber, approaching small units of the British Navy in the North Sea yesterday morning, was hotly engaged and it is considered certain that the machine was unable to reach its base, the Admiralty announced.

ANOTHER BOMBER, IT IS BELIEVED, FELL INTO THE SEA AFTER A BATTLE WITH A BRITISH FIGHTER. — REUTER.

where the boys were stripped naked and beaten with leather straps.

The school managers and staff have sent a strongly worded protest to the Ministry of Church and Education. — Reuter.

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Huge War Supplies Captured

FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE REMARKABLE NATURE OF THE ADVANCE WHICH LED TO THE OCCUPATION OF MOGADISCIO, CAPITAL OF ITALIAN SOMALILAND, WAS GIVEN IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN NAIROBI YESTERDAY.

The communique says "During the night of Tuesday and Wednesday, our East and West African troops entered Mogadiscio without opposition.

"Owing to darkness, the defeat of the enemy on the line of the Juba, the speed of our advance and the hurried evacuation, the town has suffered little damage.

"It has been impossible up to now to assess the number of prisoners and materials captured and many Europeans and Asians are still surrendering.

"This achievement was made possible by the cooperation of all three services and the vigorous action of all the forces employed.

"Its greatness will be appreciated when it is realised that during the period of February 12 to February 25, starting from advance bases already at the end of lines of communication 220 miles long, fighting formations have advanced in face of opposition over a single track road a distance of 570 miles.

"In addition a major water obstacle has been crossed—a line which the Italians apparently thought was impregnable in face of opposition."—Reuter.

R.A.F. Support

The support the Air Force is giving the offensive on all fronts in Italian East Africa is emphasised in an R.A.F. communique in Cairo.

The communique says that stores and troops concentrations and supply dumps were attacked in the Keren area with good effect.

At Assab, bombs were dropped on a large transport yard while near Massawa ammunition stores and other military objectives were raided.

The railway bridge at Awash, near Addis Ababa, was attacked and a direct hit damaged the bridge and track. —Reuter

BRITAIN'S BOEING CLIPPERS

Five experienced British Overseas Airways pilots have arrived in New York to take delivery of a number of Boeing Clipper flyingboats, it was learned in London yesterday.

They will fly the Clippers to England, thus allowing Overseas Airways to fulfil the promise by Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, that Britain would resume the Atlantic service in the summer.

The new Clippers weigh about 40 tons and carry over 5,000 gallons of petrol.—Reuter.

CLOSING NET ROUND KEREN

Relemit, about 30 miles north of Keren, has been occupied by British troops without meeting any opposition.

Nakfa, abandoned by the enemy, has also been occupied.—Reuter.

TURKEY GREET'S MR. EDEN

"The Turkish nation most respectfully salutes the Commonwealth of British Nations in the person of its two very distinguished representatives," declared the Turkish newspaper "Ulus" yesterday in a warm tribute quoted by Ankara radio.

The sincere reception accorded Mr. Eden and General Dill, adds the paper, is a friendly manifestation of the affection and confidence the Turkish nation feels towards Britain, who has been the most influential factor in the destinies of Turkey.

Mr. Eden is described as a statesman likely to play an important role in the history of the British Empire and is known to be an old and warm exponent of Anglo-Turkish friendship.

The paper concludes that the Turkish nation earnestly hopes that its guests' stay in Ankara will be a happy one and that their contacts there will be fruitful for the good of the two nations.—Reuter.

GERMANS IN LIBYA ACTION

THE REPULSE OF ARMoured VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN, IS REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE, WHICH SAYS THAT IN LIBYA ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF BRITISH MECHANISED FORCES ENCOUNTERED WEST OF AGUILA AND DROVE BACK, A RECONNAISSANCE UNIT OF ARMoured FIGHTING VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN.

In Eritrea, while the British forces continue activity to contain the main body of the enemy about Keren, further progress has been made by our columns advancing southwards from Cubcub.

In Italian Somaliland, the rapid and vigorous advance of South African forces from the line of the River Juba to the capture of Mogadiscio has evidently demoralised the enemy forces in the area.

They are offering themselves for surrender all along the large stretch of country which has been overrun.

Several thousands of prisoners have already been counted and many more continue to come in.

In addition large quantities of war material of all kinds have fallen into our hands.

Not the least satisfactory feature of this highly successful advance has been that we recovered 200 Allied seamen who had been held at Merca for many months by the Italians as prisoners of war. —Reuter.

EVAGUEES REACH AUSTRALIA

British women evacuees from Thailand arrived at Sydney by air yesterday.

They stated that 100 more women and children are shortly coming to Australia. —Reuter.

WHAT ITALIANS ARE TOLD

EVENTS IN ITALIAN Somaliland were mentioned in yesterday's Italian communique which says that after over a month of strong resistance the Italian troops withdrawing towards Mogadiscio are still resisting "preponderant enemy forces."

In the Sudan, a communique states, "enemy troops beaten in the Zelmani zone, as announced in Monday's Italian communique, retired on Buna, leaving numerous dead and wounded and war material behind."

CASTEL ORITZO CAPTURE

The occupation of the island of Castel Oritzo in the Eastern Mediterranean, by British forces is hailed with enthusiasm by the Greeks, according to the Athens Radio.

The newspaper "Estin" refers to Castel Oritzo as the first Dodecanese island to see sunlight and freedom and adds: "In order to realise what Fascist tyranny meant it is for Castel Oritzo to remember that of the 12,000 inhabitants of unmixed Greek blood, barely 1,800 now remain on the island. The rest have been driven into exile.

The air attack on Malta is described thus: "Formations of German bombers escorted by German and Italian fighters made mass attacks on Maltese airports.

"Ten enemy planes were set on fire on the ground and many others seriously damaged, while hangars and installations were hit.

"In air fights four Hurricanes were brought down, two by German and two by Italian fighters."

On February 25, the communique states, German planes hit an enemy destroyer off Tobruk with large calibre bombs, and also concentrations of enemy motorised vehicles and an artillery emplacement near the town.

German torpedo-carrying planes sunk in the western Mediterranean a 5,000-ton merchantship, it was claimed. —Reuter.

"Whole communities of fugitives from Castel Oritzo now exist in Greece, America, Australia and France."—Reuter.

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Prime Minister Reminds Commons There Is A War On

"TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" CONTROVERSY

SOME CONTROVERSY WAS AROUSED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHEN THE HOUSE DEBATED THE "TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" BILL, OFFICIALLY STYLED THE COMMONS DISQUALIFICATION (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) BILL.

The Bill was originally introduced to legalise Mr. Malcolm Macdonald's appointment as High Commissioner for Canada while he retained his seat as a Member of Parliament.

Government insisted on treating the division as a vote of confidence but eventually the Commons gave the Bill a unanimous reading.

The Bill only lasts for one year and in the interim a Select Committee will seek to clarify the whole position of Members of Parliament who accept offices of profit.

It was the first time since he formed his administration that Mr. Churchill had asked the Commons for a vote of confidence, and he received it without even the formality of a division.

There's A War On

Mr. Churchill told the House that the debate on the Bill would be treated as a vote of confidence in the Government.

After stating that the whole question of appointments would be considered by a Select Committee, the Prime Minister added: "Meanwhile let us get on with the war because, though one might hardly think it, there is a war on, in which our lives and liberties and even wider causes are hanging in the balance."—Reuter.

History of Principle

The Attorney-General, moving the second reading, reviewed the history of the principle dating from the reign of Queen Anne which laid down that a member holding an office of profit under the Crown should submit himself to his constituents for re-election, and detailed anomalies and contradictions which subsequent Acts of Parliament created.

He stated the Bill was a war-time measure and announced that a proposal for the creation of a Select Committee to consider the whole subject and reduce the situation to an order suited to modern times would be accepted by Government.

The Prime Minister, in the course of a speech supporting the Bill, said no fundamental constitutional principles were at stake and that Government must be given unfettered discretion to select the best men for vital work. Any suggestion that Government would abuse the powers for which it asked must be treated as a question of confidence in Government.

Raising Status

He concluded his speech by saying: "It is the policy of this Government to raise and sustain the personal status of Members of Parliament in every possible manner. It is my deliberate policy as Leader of the House of Commons to do so and we shall always be careful, as I have been of the safety and dignity of the House."

I am sure that after this war is over this institution which we cherish and serve will have gained by having in its ranks large numbers of members who played an important part in the great days through which we shall have passed and have their share in winning the victory the fruits of which we and other Parliaments will then enjoy."—British Wireless.

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The "Cleveland News" declares that Germany has more vital weaknesses than the world outside generally appreciates. — Reuter.

COMPULSORY SERVICE

FIVE BRITISH SUBJECTS APPEARED BEFORE THE COMPULSORY SERVICE TRIBUNAL THIS MORNING.

The Tribunal comprised His Honour Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chairman), Lieutenant-Commander L. L. Tollemache, R.N., Major R. E. Moody, Mr. E. Davidson, Mr. C. Blaker, M.C., and Mr. C. Bramall Burgess (Secretary to the Tribunal).

Mr. L. A. Calcraft expressed a wish to be attached to units undertaking minelaying and mine-watching, and explained that he had experience in this kind of work, having formerly held a commission in the army.

The Chairman pointed out that he would make a note of this, and added that should Mr. Calcraft find difficulty in being accepted, he would be assigned to the Essential Services Group.

Mr. A. J. W. Evans, of the British Cigarette Company, said he desired to be assigned to the Key Post Group since he was unable to find time to attend parades. He was posted to the Combatant Group.

Mr. J. E. Mogra was assigned to the Combatant Group, Mr. S. Mason to the Group of Essential Services, and Mr. S. Harber to the Key Post Group.

INDIA'S AIR FORCE

Plans to speed up the existing Government scheme to train 300 pilots and 2,000 ground staff for the Indian Air Force Reserve come into effect on March 3.

The plans involve the formation of a new elementary flying school, while the establishment of others is being actively considered.

In future recruits will pass through four stages of training before qualifying for the Fighting Services. The civil aviation authorities are cooperating in the scheme.

Training centres for ground staff are also being considerably increased. — Reuter.

THE ST. CYR OF FREE FRANCE

A military college, which is destined to become the St. Cyr of Free France in Africa, has been opened at Brazzaville by General de Larnet, High Commissioner of Free French Africa, according to Free French circles in London.

The college at present houses 125 cadets, most of whom escaped from France to join General de Gaulle.

The college is called Camp Colonna Dornado. — Reuter.

M. COSME ARRIVES IN PEIPING

The French Ambassador to China, M. Henry Cosme, arrived in Peiping yesterday to take up permanent residence. — Reuter.

AIR FORCE SUPPORT OF GREEKS

Highly successful attacks on the Albanian villages of Luzati, south-east of Tepelini, and Fieri, were made on Wednesday during R.A.F. operations supporting the Greek army, says a communique issued yesterday by headquarters of the British forces in Greece.

Direct hits were scored on a concentration of motor vehicles near Luzati and on military camps at Fieri, where several large fires were started.

At Fieri, swooping low, aircraft machine-gunned military headquarters and other targets.

British planes intercepted a convoy of cargo ships and a gunboat two miles off Valona and successfully machine-gunned them.

All the British planes returned safely. — Reuter.

INDIA ENTHUSES

The brilliant British sweeps in Africa have sent a wave of enthusiasm through the tribal area on the North-West Frontier, where the victories of the Imperial forces are being widely discussed. — Reuter.

TRIPLE MURDER MYSTERY

The corpses of three young Chinese women, with their hands and feet bound with grass rope, were found floating in the harbour off West Point yesterday afternoon.

The bodies were removed to the Public Mortuary by the Water Police.

SHUFFLE IN N. CHINA

MAJOR-GENERAL MORIOKA, HEAD OF THE CHINA AFFAIRS BOARD IN PEIPING, IS RELINQUISHING HIS POST ON PROMOTION. HIS SUCCESSOR HAS NOT YET BEEN NOMINATED.

It is strongly rumoured in Chinese circles that Wang I-tang, head of the North China Political Affairs Commission, will resign, and it is also believed that the former head, Wang Keh-min, will resume that post. — Reuter.

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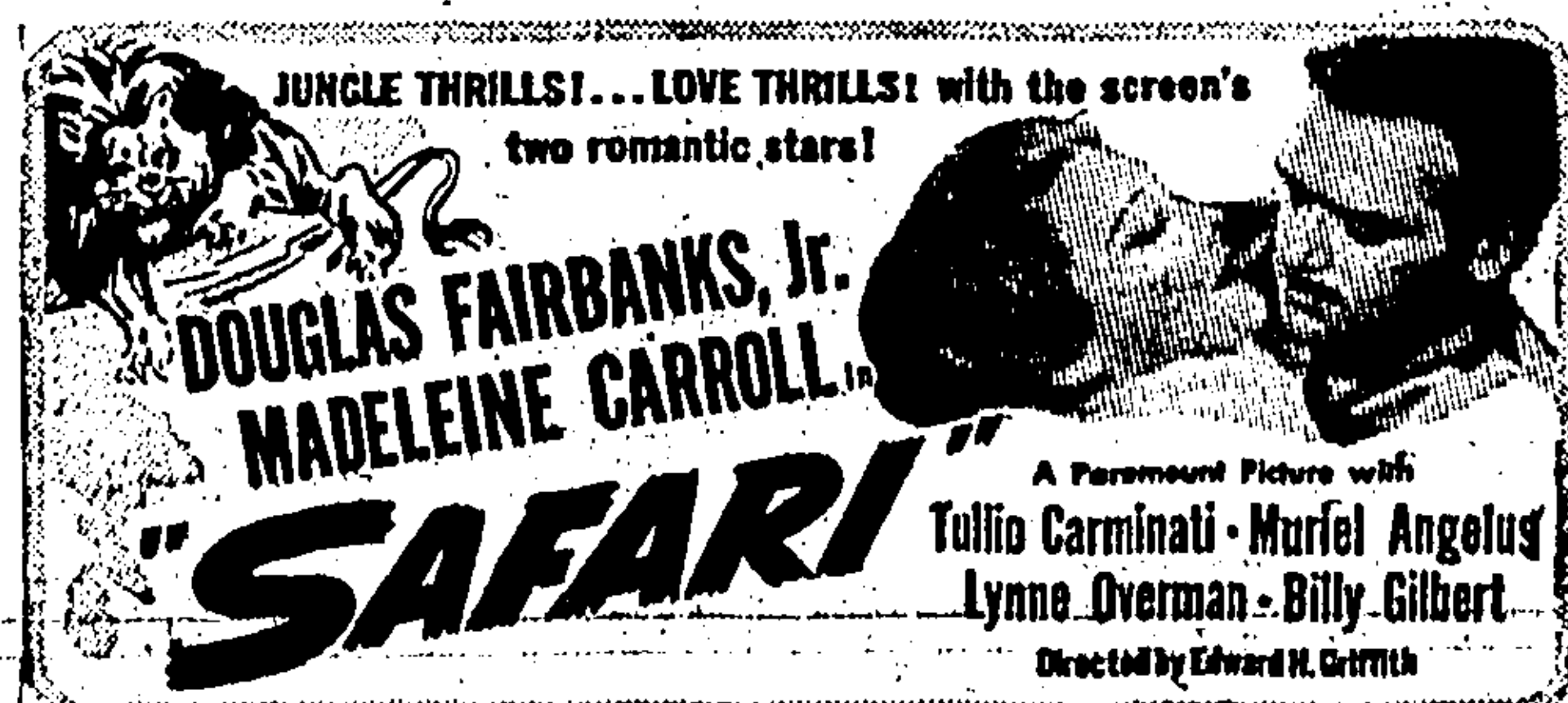


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GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR QUICKER SHIP TURNABOUT

AN APPEAL TO DOCKERS to "help us beat Hitler" was made by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, announcing in London yesterday a new scheme for dock labour on Merseyside which will improve and speed up working conditions.

Mr. Bevin said that transport has now become a key factor and the organisation of transport would determine the duration of this struggle.

"We are aiming," he said, "at a 40 per cent quicker turn round of ships and clearances at ports. I want to appeal to my friends, the dockers, to help us beat Hitler."

Mr. Bevin added that the Merseyside scheme will start on March 10 and will be applied later to Clyde ports, and continued: "We must secure a quicker turn round and a bigger output if we are to cope not merely with the attack that is being made now but with the attack with which we are threatened in a very short time."—Reuter.

EARLE INCIDENT ANGRYS BERLIN

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE YESTERDAY SHARPLY ATTACKED THE AMERICAN MINISTER AT SOFIA, MR. GEORGE EARLE, FOR HIS ALLEGED PRO-BRITISH ATTITUDE, AND COMPLAINS OF THE SIMILAR ATTITUDE OF OTHER UNITED STATES DIPLOMATS.

Mr. Earle was the victim of an assault by Nazis in a restaurant in Sofia, when he requested the orchestra to play the song "Tipperary," which aroused the rage of the Germans present.

A German military officer threw a champagne bottle at Mr. Earle who retaliated by knocking him down.

A further echo of the fracas in a Sofia cafe, in which the United States Minister, Mr. Earle, and a German officer were involved, was heard when the German in question yesterday requested the Bulgarian authorities to allow him to take legal proceedings against Mr. Earle.

A Sofia despatch to the Italian news agency gives this information but makes no mention of the result of the German's request.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA AND RUMANIA

Australia has severed trading relations with Rumania, which has been declared enemy territory, according to an announcement in Canberra yesterday.

This is in conformity with the recent extension of the British blockade to Rumania.—Reuter.

AXIS IN OPERATION IN ECONOMIC FIELD

THE WORKING OF THE AXIS in the economic field is revealed in a despatch yesterday from Rome quoted by the German news agency.

The despatch states that in accordance with the Italo-German economic agreement, which regulates from time to time clearing payments for the current year, Italo-German commercial exchanges are expected to reach a total of about 1,000,000,000 reichsmarks in both directions.

Guiding principle in the negotiations has been to satisfy all requirements essential to war economic demands in which the combined demands of the Axis are regarded as one unit.

steel to Italy will be more than doubled.

Italy will increase shipments of agricultural raw products as well as sulphur and mercury to Germany.

The whole of Italy's coal requirements, amounting to about 12,000,000 tons last year, will be completely covered by Germany.

A special agreement also provides for the sending to Germany of a further 205,000 Italian workmen, mainly metal workers, making the total of Italian workmen in Germany in the current year 315,000.—Reuter.

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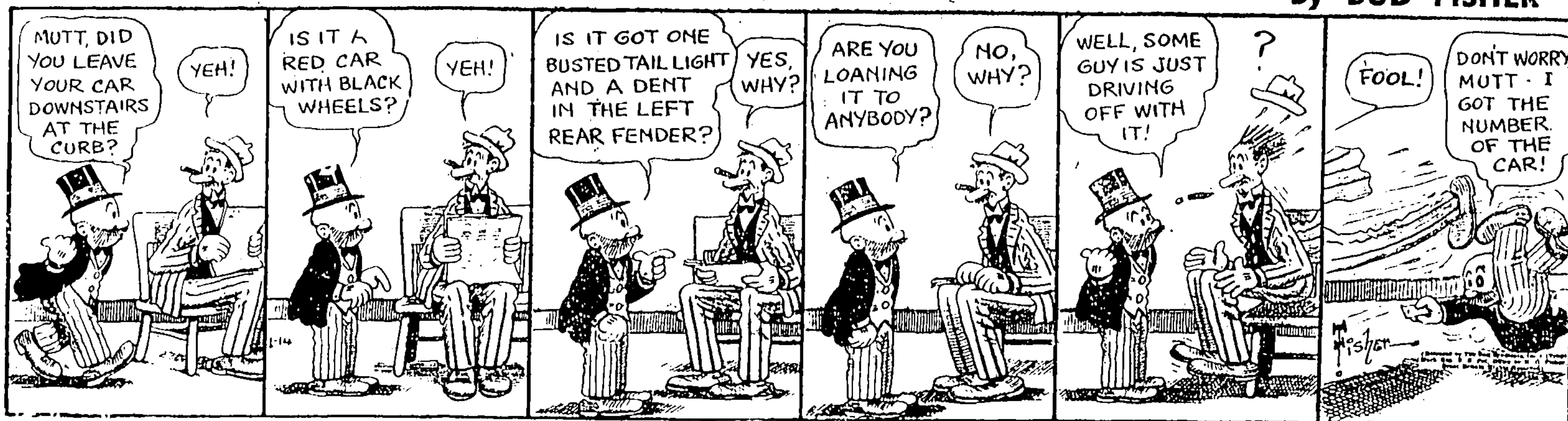
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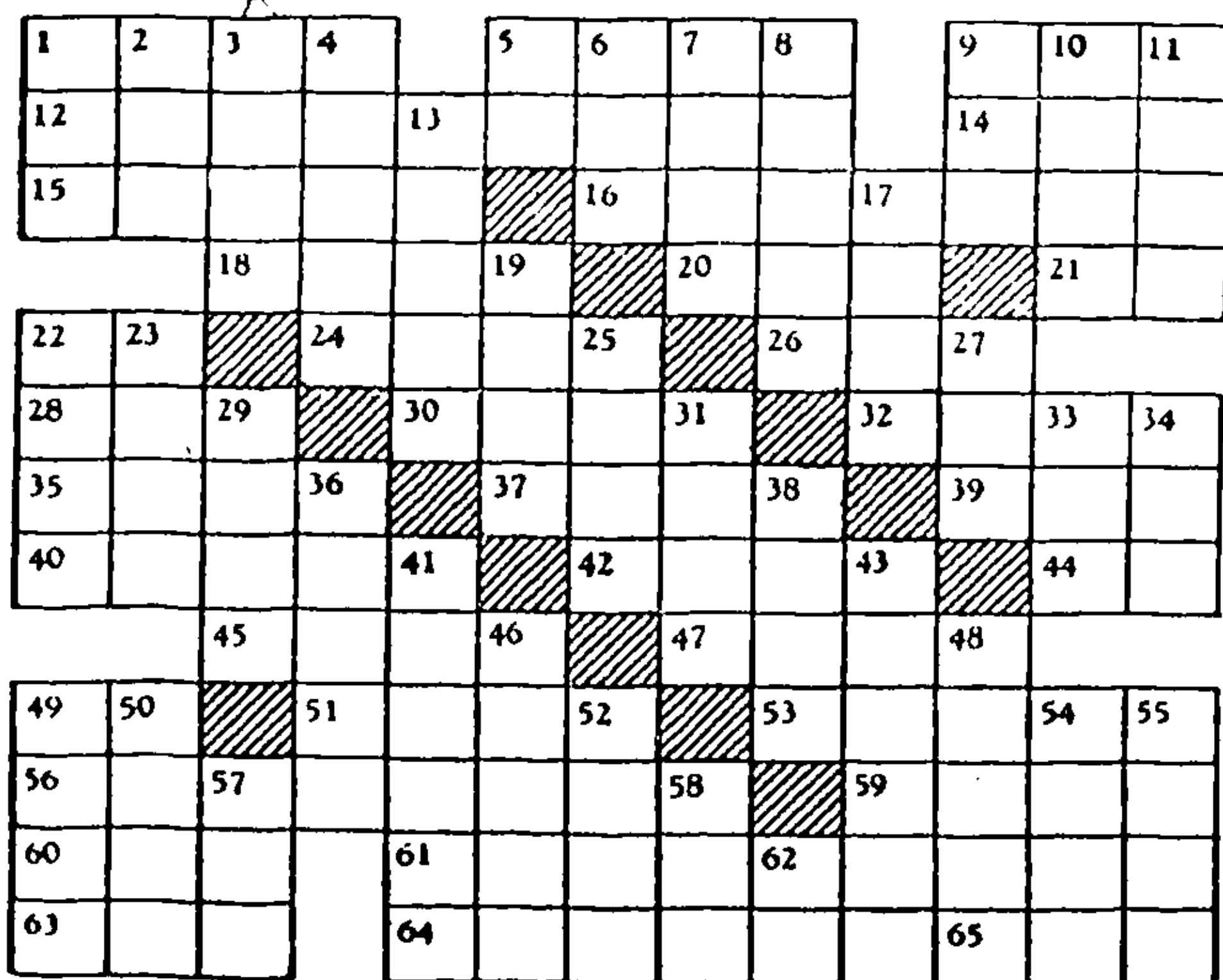


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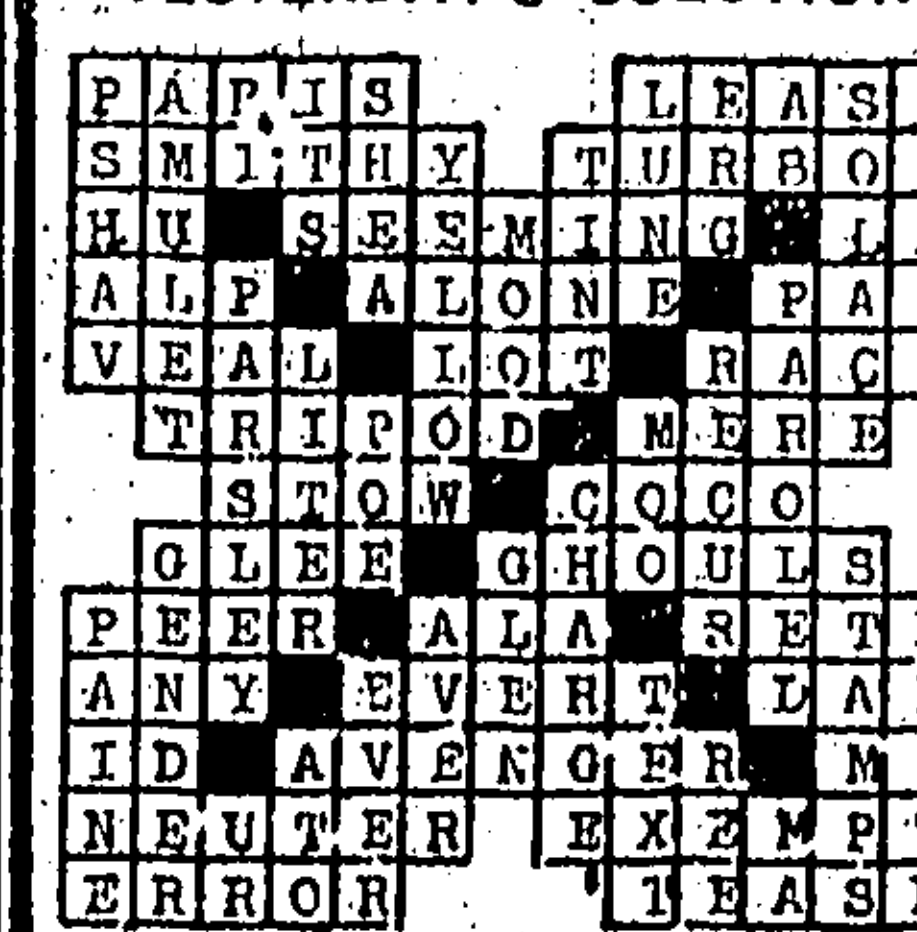
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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



MASS NAZI RAID ON MALTA

A big German air attack on Malta was made on Wednesday, according to an official Cairo communique, which says that a considerable force of enemy aircraft attempted a large-scale attack.

Forty German bombers, escorted by nearly as many fighters, attacked the aerodrome at Luqa and some damage was caused to R.A.F. property, but there were no casualties to R.A.F. personnel. British fighters, although greatly outnumbered, attacked the enemy and two Junkers 87's were shot down and a number of others probably destroyed.

Italians Not Yet Told

It was pointed out in official circles in London yesterday that Italians have not yet been told of the heavy defeat in the fall of Mogadiscio.

Official comment on the description in the Italian communique of the Malta attack points out that it makes no reference to the fact, given in the Malta communique, that the attackers lost two planes to British fighters and five to A.A. fire, while six were so badly damaged that they probably did not reach their bases. —Reuter

ALASKA DEFENCE TIGHTENED

Three additional United States Air Corps have just gone to Alaska and three more are scheduled to go there within two months.

This announcement was made by the Secretary of War, Mr. Henry Stimson, in Washington yesterday.

He added that the U.S. Army's experiments with parachute troops had been so successful that the strength of this wing was to be increased fourfold. —Reuter.

K. R. A. MEETING

The annual meeting of members of the Kowloon Residents' Association takes place this evening at St. Andrew's Church Hall, commencing at 6 p.m.

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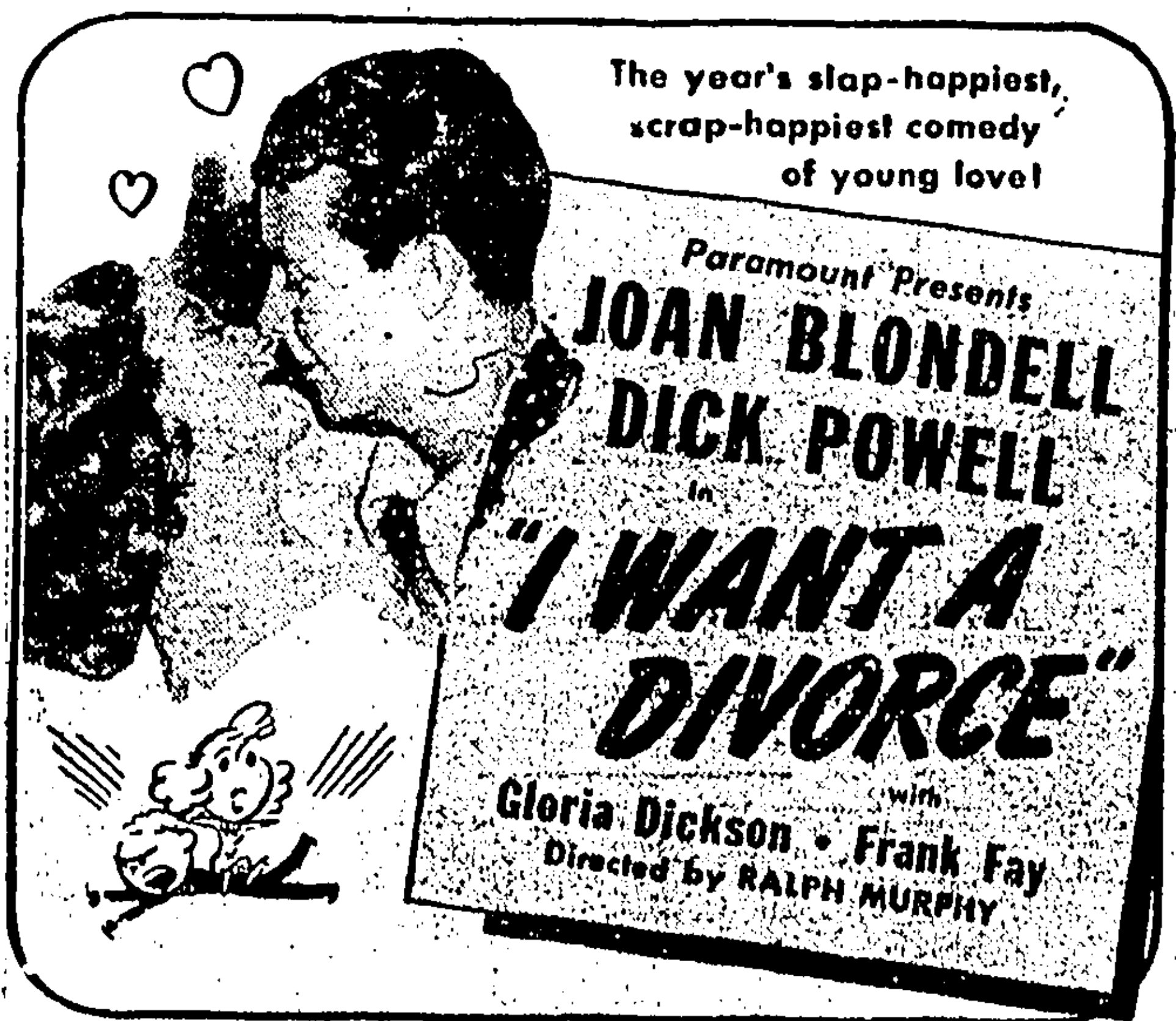
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KILLED MOVING BOMB FROM R.A.F. AERODROME

THE AWARD of the George Cross to an R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve officer who survived the last war as an air observer and was killed in the present war while on bomb-disposal work is announced.

The officer, Actg. Sqdn. Ldr. Eric Lawrence Moxey, volunteered to remove two bombs embedded in an aerodrome. One of the bombs exploded.

The official announcement of the award is silent about the risks which he took, but it is stated that he had frequently shown a complete disregard for personal safety.

Similar silence is preserved about the award of another George Cross, announced in the London Gazette. The recipient is Roy T. Harris, a staff officer in the A.R.P. engineers' service at Croydon. He is decorated "for conspicuous bravery in carrying out dangerous duties."

Told of the honour conferred on him Mr. Harris replied, "Good heavens, you surprise me. I've only been doing my job."

The bravery for which he is decorated occurred during air raids.

Drove Through Fire

Seven awards of the George Medal were also announced in the London Gazette. One is to John Arthur Blake, an A.R.P. incidents officer at Bermondsey, S.E., to whose bravery three firemen owe their lives.

While he was driving through a burning area a bomb exploded in front of his car, which was wrecked. Continuing on foot, he found six firemen, all seriously wounded, lying among blazing debris.

While he was summoning help two more bombs exploded, the blast knocking him away from the telephone. After recovering from the shock he returned and again got into communication with the control centre. Three of the six firemen recovered in hospital.

The same day Blake heard that some people were trapped in an Anderson shelter entirely surrounded by fire. He went through the flames and extricated three people.

Bomb Among Lorries

Other George Medal awards are as follows: John Gavin, of Paddington, W., who drove a burning lorry from a bombed yard in which were other lorries and considerable material. By doing so he confined the blaze to one lorry.

Thomas Lee, a Coventry millwright, who assisted rescue squads to extricate nine persons trapped in a shelter. For two hours he raised heavy concrete blocks and masonry to release a woman pinned underneath.

Frederick Mason and Albert Searn, leader and deputy-leader of an A.R.P. rescue squad at Coventry. To release people trapped in a basement they dug a tunnel through the debris and worked in the tunnel for two hours. Two people were saved.

Leonard Matthews, leader of an A.R.P. stretcher party at Surbiton. Although a wall was likely to collapse at any time, he dug a hole in the debris below and rescued a man who had been trapped. He was awarded the Meritorious Medal for helping to prevent an ammunition train being blown up while serving in Russia.

Charles Roger Middleton, refinery manager, and James McNaughton Imrie, chief engineer, of the Shell Refining and Marketing Company Ltd. While bombing was in progress they climbed a blazing tank containing 2,000 tons of benzene and enabled the fire to be extinguished.

B. J. Lewis, chieftain of fitters, and Frank Nallia, chieftain of labourers, both of H.M. Dockyard, Malta. They volunteered to erect splinter plates to protect gun equipment after a bomb had fallen. They also re-erected a gun despite frequent aerial bombardments, and with steel helmets as their only protection.

Army Awards

The award of 13 George Medals, including two posthumously, is announced by the War Office. The list of recipients is:

Gnr. H. G. Groom, R.A.; Capt. G. L. Galloway, R.E.; Lt. E. R.

Ruby, R.E.; 2nd Lt. (Actg. Capt.) H. Mitchell, R.E.; 2nd Lt. F. R. Martin, R.E. (since deceased); 2nd Lt. H. A. Manser, R.E. (since deceased); Sgt. S. E. J. Thorne, R.E.; Sgt. W. A. Jones, R.E.; Cpl. W. O. Bean, R.E.; Sapper S. Cheshire, R.E.; Lt. (temp. Capt.) D. A. S. Martin, R.A.O.C.; Lt. (temp. Capt.) R. Chalkley, R.A.O.C.; Capt. D. W. Cunningham, Royal Canadian Engineers.

The medal of the Order of the British Empire, Civil Division, has been awarded to William Maxwell Scott, officer in charge of an A.R.P. stretcher party depot at Hornsey, N. After he had led a rescue party to a demolished house he heard cries from beneath the wreckage. Walls were tottering and gas was escaping from fractured mains, but he crawled under the wreckage to render first aid to the injured.

Saved R.A.F. Pilot

The medal of the Order of the British Empire for meritorious service has been awarded to Flt.-Sgt. C. H. I. Wood and Ldg. Aircraftman R. A. Summers. When a Blenheim crashed at night and while ammunition was exploding they rescued the pilot at the second attempt.

Flt.-Sgt. Wood, whose home is at Hawkhurst, Kent, is a colliery fitter. Summers was a decorator before he joined the R.A.F. His home is at Congresbury, Somerset.

Other recipients of this medal are:

Lce. Cpl. Actg. Staff Sgt. J. Hayton, R.A.O.C.; Sgt. R. L. McIlvride, R.A.O.C.; Pte. (Actg. Lce. Cpl.) L. Barratt, R.A.O.C.; Pte. (Actg. Cpl.) R. E. Sothcott, R.A.O.C.; Pte. G. V. Nicholson, R.A.O.C.; Pte. B. Hatton, R.A.O.C.

VATICAN REBUTS NAZI BOOK

THE VATICAN RADIO HAS BEEN ATTACKING GERMANY FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A BOOK ENTITLED "GERMANY AND CATHOLIC CULTURE IN POLAND," WHICH IS BEING WIDELY CIRCULATED IN ITALY.

The book states according to the Vatican radio, that the German authorities do not take any measures in Poland for the restriction of religious life.

"Unfortunately," commented the broadcaster, "the impression it wants to create is not successful. In the western area of Poland the religious Press is the object of the most severe restrictions. German Catholics, in addition, are forbidden to assist at Masses celebrated by Polish people."

"Certain churches are closed and others are allowed open only a limited time. Priests are exiled or put into concentration camps, where many have died."

KILLED IN ACTION— CITED BY BROTHER

On the grounds of his wife's adultery with his brother, who had died in action since the proceedings began, Leslie Vaughan Richings, a munition worker, of Crompton Street, Warwick, was granted a decree nisi at Birmingham Assizes.

REMINING THE WOPS OF CAPORETTO

The rout of the Italians in Albania has provided keen satire for Greek humorists. In Athens most reviews now carry a scene of Italian generals planning a retreat. The final word rests with an aged field-marshal, who says: "I know; I was as Caporetto"—a reference to the Italian disaster in 1914-18 war.

In night clubs "Tipperary" and "Auld Lang Syne" are sung.

GOODBYE ---DIVE TO DEATH

After saying goodbye to a woman a man under charge of a military escort dived 60ft. to his death from the roof of his flat in Duchess Street, Marylebone, London.

At the adjourned Paddington inquest the verdict was that Robert Bertram Stern, thirty-four, a stockbroker, who had failed to report for military service, took his life while the balance of his mind was disturbed.

Detective-Sergeant Evans said that Stern was asked why he did not report for service, and he replied that he had been trying to join the fire service or the police. He was remanded at Marlborough Street Police Court to await a military escort.

Sergeant Dudley Woolgar, of the Royal Artillery, said that he was in charge of an escort detailed to take Stern to camp.

Stern asked to go to his flat for his gas mask and some papers. At the flat he said goodbye to a woman and then went in a lift with the escort.

Walk On Parapet

Suddenly Stern ran up some stairs on to the roof, which he crossed.

The sergeant had narrowed the distance between them when Stern glanced round. He hesitated, walked along the parapet and dived over the edge.

The sergeant caught hold of his coat, but could not prevent him going over.

Answering the coroner (Mr. Neville Stafford), the sergeant said that he did not push Stern over.

The coroner, recording his verdict, said that it was quite clear that Sergeant Woolgar carried out his duty in an exceptional manner.

ELECTRIC LORRIES FOR NAZIS

A factory for the manufacture of one-ton electrically driven lorries has been opened in Copenhagen. It is a case of "necessity being the mother of invention" for the lack of benzene, for fuel has made it necessary to revert to other means.

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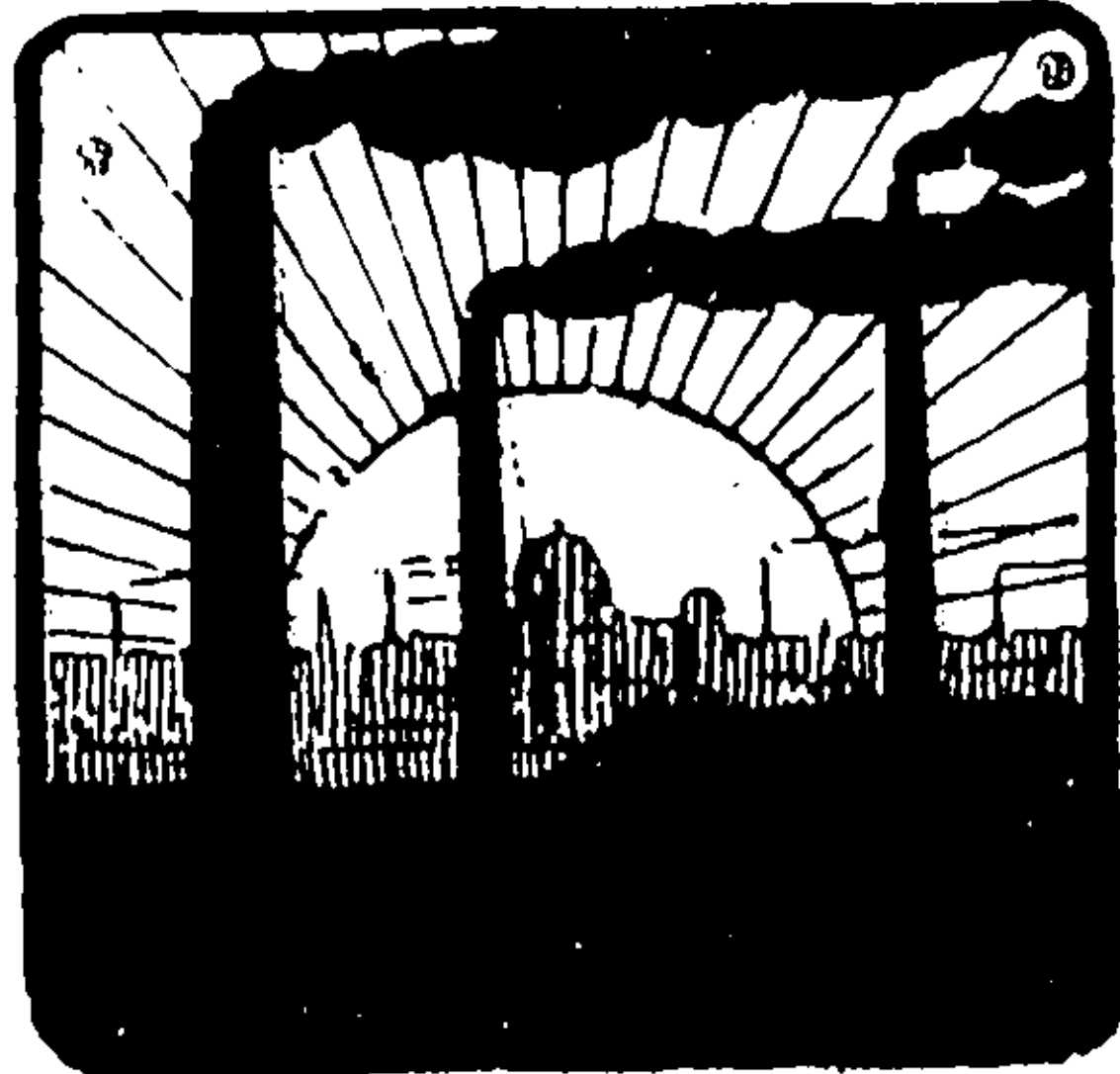


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THE ANSWERS

The American newspapers have presented a demand by Senators Nye and Wheeler for a statement of peace aims as a tactical move against the Lease and Lend Bill.

It is assumed that the Senators do not expect that all nations now at war will provide either a full statement of their reasons for going to war or a blueprint of the kind of peace they hope to see. There is value in a sincere effort to define as clearly as possible future peace purposes—if it be first recognised that peace must be won.

Most Americans we believe would agree with this statement of the situation:

The only reason why peace cannot be made to-morrow is that the German Government have as yet given no evidence whatever of their readiness to repair the damage they have wrought upon their weaker neighbours, or of their capacity to convince the world that any pledge they may subscribe to is worth as much as the paper on which it may be written.

If the isolationist Senators really want a statement of British war aims in fairly definite terms they could find it in the same speech, by the member of the British War Cabinet who has just arrived as Ambassador to the United States:

We must insist upon the restoration of liberty to small nations that Germany has cruelly deprived of it, and, profiting I hope by experience of the past, we shall do our utmost to secure Europe from a repetition of this disaster. We seek nothing for ourselves. We have said publicly that if we could once again feel security that a German Government would respect its undertakings and honestly cooperate in trying to build, instead of destroy, European peace on terms of live-and-let-live for all nations, we would not seek a vindictive peace or one that would deny to Germany her rightful place among the nations.

When Senator Wheeler recently outlined somewhat similar terms, the Berlin press rejected them.

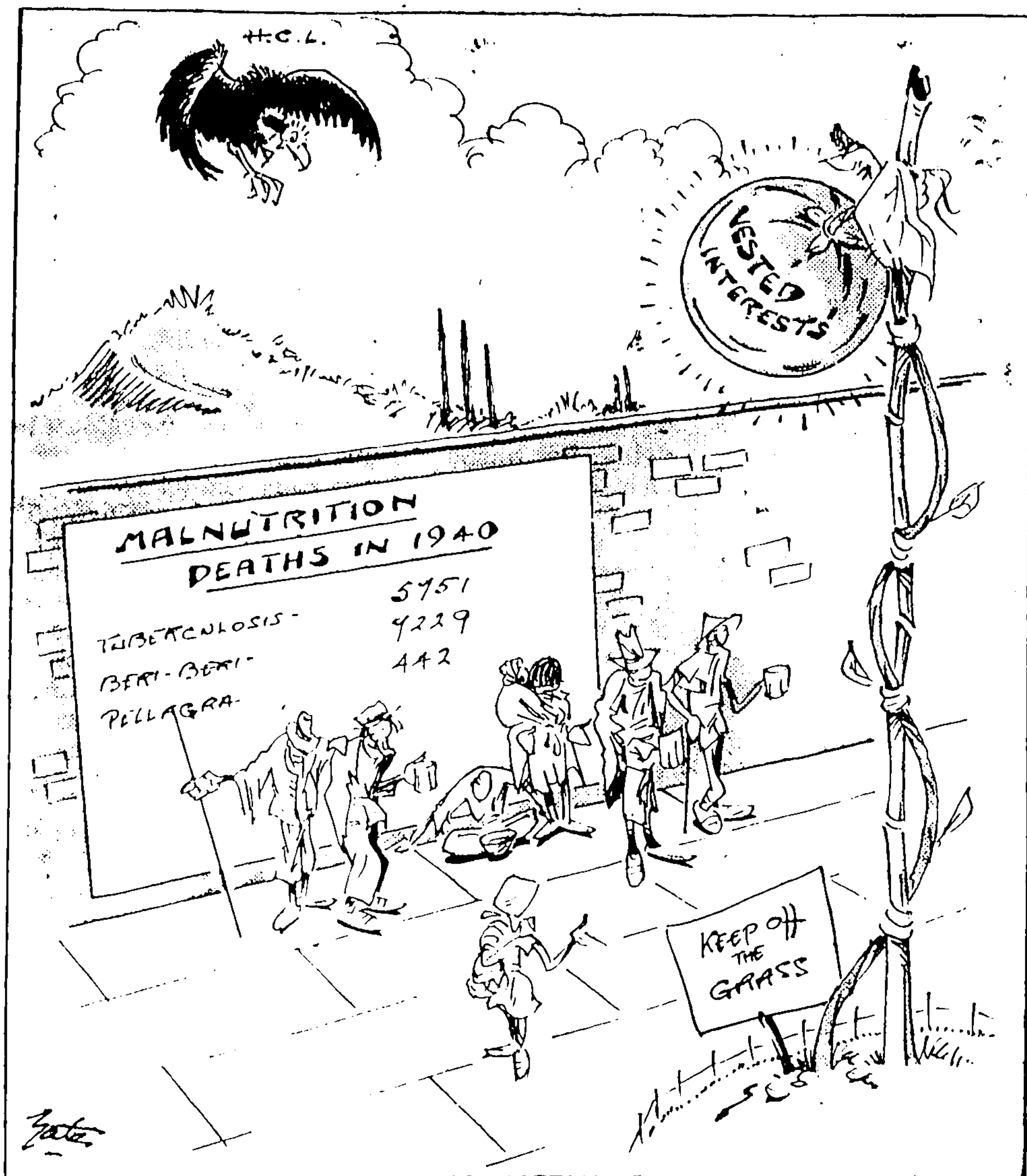
The fundamental difficulty is that the Nazi regime can offer no real basis of security for the nations of Europe—or for those further afield.

The reason that nations chiefly interested in a firm peace support, in some degree, Britain's stand against Nazi anarchy is presented in another speech by Viscount Halifax:

There are things to-day within our body politic which we need to fight not less intensely, if with other weapons, than we fight the enemy without. But the broad record of the British race stands to be judged on facts that are incontestable. It is the fact that during the nineteenth century, when the power of this country was unchallenged, there was no nation in Europe that felt for that reason insecure, or that did not recognise our power to be an instrument of peace.

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WHO MENTIONED VULTURES?

Rash Conclusion

There is a tendency in England to feel that the sympathy of the whole of the United States is with us in our struggle, that with the exception of a negligible minority that great country is with us up to the edge of war. This is—as anyone listening in to Mr. Alistair Cooke's recent broadcast would realise—a very rash assumption.

It is difficult enough for us here, living in the immediacy which life holds for us now—days, to keep at the same level of keenness. How much more must this be the case with people who are only with us emotionally and sympathetically, and who have around them the daily proof that life is good and sweet and easy, that nature's abundance is yet theirs, that their country is inviolate?

We are fortunate that so many of the intellectual leaders of the United States either work for the William Allen White Committee or are moved by it. William Allen White is, as most Englishmen know and as all should know, one of the most important pro-British Americans. He organised what is now known as the White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. William Allen White has stressed throughout his firm belief that the United States' first line of defence is Britain, and hence that Britain is fighting for the United States.

In New York Robert Sherwood, the famous playwright, that tall flame of a man, has been fighting for us with his pen as ardently as he fought, though a Yankee, in a Canadian regiment in the last war. John Balderston, the writer,

behind peace talk is another statement by Lord Halifax:

When we think and speak of peace, what do we really mean? We naturally tend to think of it as something negative—no war—and for that reason to be something worthy of all we can do for its preservation. But just as I can imagine individuals confronted by a situation which Christian men and women would feel was worse than death, so I can imagine circumstances for a nation or for human civilisation in which immunity from war could be too dearly purchased.

great-great-grandson of the woman who made the first American flag, has done work for the White Committee that should make his name, with that of Sherwood, ever remembered by us.

The fifty destroyers can be largely attributed to their efforts. Their work has not by any means been without difficulties and even dangers. Mr. Balderston at one time had to have a bodyguard, and the isolationists, of whom there are many still in the Senate,

By F. Tennyson Jesse

have not hesitated to try to besmirch the reputation of certain members of the committee, notably that of John Balderston. What is known as a "smear campaign" has been extremely active.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, on September 26, 1940, declared that "a man by the name of Balderston, long a resident of Great Britain, putting out a William Allen White news service release . . . was trying to arouse public sentiment to bombard the President, bombard public officials, so as to override any technical objections of the General Staff of the Navy and the General Staff of the Army" to send to Great Britain weapons that "might be needed by the United States." Mr. Clark, of Missouri, was then joined by a Mr. Holt, of West Virginia, who remarked that Mr. Balderston was "brought back" to the States to create war propaganda, and that it was a known fact that John Balderston was not interested in preserving the United States, but was directly under the British Ministry of Information.

Mr. Holt, in short, accused Mr. Balderston of a crime against the Federal Statutes.

John Balderston has never in his life been directly or indirectly under or connected with the British Ministry of Information or any other foreign Government agency.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, full of sweet accord, replied that he had no information as to that, but that he was entirely prepared to believe the statement of the senator from West Virginia that Mr. Balderston was a British agent!

Senator Clark does all he can to help Germany by attempting to withhold essential supplies from Britain. He cannot and does not pretend to believe that the United States is in danger of attack by Great Britain. He is just one of those neutrals, of whom France, Holland, Belgium, and Norway have provided so many, to whom neutrality, instead of being sometimes admirable but always, by its nature, negative, becomes an active virtue.

Thus the "smear campaign" went on in the Senate. Mr. John Balderston having been accused of being a propaganda agent, senator after senator arose not to attack William Allen White personally, for he is too revered and elderly a figure in national politics to attack, but members of his group.

As a matter of fact the famous "Seven-point Programme" submitted to Mr. Allen White by his committee had obtained data for six of its seven points through American and not British sources. The "seven points" urged the delivery to Britain of a score of motor torpedo-boats, flying-boats (the Navy's heavy bombers), "flying fortresses"—the great long-range bombers; tanks, the use of airfields in the United States for training of pilots; 250,000 more Lee-Enfield rifles until something better could be got hold of, and seventh (and the one which agitated the senators most) the famous secret bomb sight.

All these requests, which were not put forth, by the way, by Mr. White, were not even put forward to him without the certain knowledge that each one of them had already been the subject of negotiation and in the belief that all or most of the requests would be granted either in whole or in part. The belief was American and not British belief, and was held by a great group of people in the United States, all of them American patriots.

Is it possible, one asks oneself, that even these "Copperheads" such as Senator Clark and his

Victuals In Our Time

It is perhaps natural that people with nothing to do but wait for the next meal should accept the aesthetic philosophy of the stout gentleman in the lounge who was heard to describe the sound of the dinner-bell as the sweetest music in the whole world. Idleness is a great begetter of gluttony, as one notices on sea voy-

By Ivor Brown

ages, where in good weather pondering the shape of edible things to come is a common form of preoccupation, naughtily stimulated in happier time by the lavishness of shipping companies.

The menus of luxury liners are really a Communist pamphlet.

The whole thing is fantastic. People who would be perfectly happy with the simplest supper at home must apparently have an eight-course dinner served with fanfares, flunkies, and carnival procedure when they are in mid-ocean.

One business of civilisation is surely to put food in its place. Our earliest ancestors, the food-gathering men, had to think a great deal about ways and means of getting nourishment. Their problem was acquisition. They had to live for food in order to live by it, just as many animals and birds have to work all day for their food supply.

Once food-growing had been invented as the supplement to food-gathering the problem was eased; the leisure thus gained might be misused in the arts of war, but it could be turned also to the arts of peace.

The Nile Valley started building, sculpture, and many decorative splendours when it solved the food problem. Because there was corn in Egypt there could also be civilisation.

Nowadays, in peace-time, supply of victuals is no trouble. Fair distribution is the problem that has so far baffled the meagre ingenuity and organising talent of economic man. We should be able, in decent conditions, to think just sufficiently about food and suffer no further worry. How much is that sufficiency? On this there will never be agreement. Man generally both indulges and mortifies the flesh, the duality of our nature running as often to the extremes of Stoic doctrine as to the gentler Epicurean creed. For my part, I believe that Chasterton usefully summed up the matter when he said that the logic of the fast is the feast, and vice versa. It is reasonable to stake within reason all normal desire, and the ascetic's glory in a total refusal is no more in nature than is the unceasing and calculating sensuality of the glutton.

A large part of the art of living is the avoidance of obsessions, and it is a dreadful thing to be obsessed about food. To go beyond a sensible interest in the niceties of the palate to a continual fussing about the next meal is usually to become a misery to oneself and a dreadful bore to others. What tedium equals that created by the constant chattering of the gourmet and of the prattler about vintages? Possibly only that inflicted on us by the person who in war-time is always thinking about rationing and discussing the state of the larder. The war has given us, along with the bomb-bored, the bacon-and-butter bored too. The stomach is a good thing in its place, but its place is certainly not "on the brain."

confreres imagine that anything given to the British now will ever be used by the British against the Americans? It is true that the Germans might capture some of these secret weapons, but that is a risk that has to be taken if Hitler is to be fought at all.

England must not underrate the power of the "Copperheads." They can at least hold up the engine just when its smooth and quick working is essential. But we must remember also that our friends of the White Committee are still fighting for us through "smear campaigns," innuendoes, and lies and realise that the delay is no fault of theirs.

As to the "Copperheads" themselves, we can wish them no worse than that in their old age they may be forced to read with shame what has been recorded for ever upon the records of the Senate.

WOMAN SAW A BOMB KILL HUSBAND, CHILD

WHAT HAPPENS when a bomb hits you? Mrs. Maurice Lewis knows the answer. She saw one fall — a few feet away — in a Central London raid. She felt the shock, the numbing pain; saw her eldest boy dying; her husband lying dead. Every detail stands clear in the extraordinary story she tells below:—

On October 8, at 8.45 a.m. the bomb fell. The "Raiders passed" signal had been sounded early that morning, and at about eight o'clock Maurice, my husband, and I packed our bedding, and with our eleven-year-old son, Bobbie, started for home.

We had only got a few hundred yards from the shelter when another warning was given, and almost immediately there was a burst of gunfire.

I looked up—and just over my head, between the roofs and the barrage balloons, I saw a bomb diving towards us.

I saw it coming. But I had no time to give any warning, or to fall flat. The bomb fell a few feet away.

I felt a blow on my leg, and seemed to spin round at a tremendous speed before I fell.

'Floating Up And Down'

My leg felt painfully numb, and I knew I had lost it. I owe my life to the fact that I did not lose consciousness.

The ground felt warm and soft, and my body seemed to be floating up and down. I remember thinking, "This is what the soldiers must have felt in 1914," and I felt sick and dizzy. I put my right arm over my face and received a gash in it almost from elbow to shoulder.

Then the thought came, "Good heavens, I'm dying, how

absurd!" I tried to look down at my leg. I couldn't see what damage was done, but the blood was pouring from it.

Immediately I called to A.R.P. men who seemed to have appeared from nowhere, to put a tourniquet on me.

Clothes Blown Off

An elderly man, who looked like a window cleaner, said, "All right, my girl, I'll do it for you," and taking his handkerchief from his pocket he tied it tightly round my thigh. Somebody tied my arm. That checked the bleeding. Bobbie was almost within arm's reach of me. He was lying on his stomach and making a pitiful little moaning sound which told me that, mercifully, he was unconscious.

Somebody was attending to him, but there wasn't much one could do. He died some hours later.

Further away I saw my husband. He was lying on his back, silent. Like me, his clothes had been blown off him, and he was practically naked. I could see no blood on him and I didn't know what his injuries were. He died before he could be given a blood transfusion.

"Raining Shrapnel"

The ambulances arrived. The raid was still overhead. I remember arriving at the hospital and hearing a man say to the stretcher bearers, "Get them in quickly, it's raining shrapnel."

I had been in hospital a week when we were "bombed out." The ward seemed to sway from side to side, and glass was crashing everywhere.

The nurses and sisters were wonderfully calm. They quickly had us all moved to another part of the building. Early next morning we were removed to other hospitals.

Now I am putting the past with its sorrows and regrets behind me, and I am facing the future with great confidence.

NO BLACK-OUT THIS EVENING

The "raiders passed" signal was sounded throughout the Colony at 11 a.m. to-day to inform the general public that the "black-out" exercise, which commenced at sunset on Wednesday, has been concluded.

"RAZOR KING" MISSING AFTER HELP IN RAID

Among those missing in Sheffield, since the heavy German raid is Mr. G. H. Lawrence, the "razor king," who began his working life as a barber's lather boy earning 2s. a week.

He went to take food to some work people. Shortly afterwards the place was hit.

CLOSING GOLD ACCOUNTS

American banks in Hong Kong, the "China Mail" understands, are closing all gold dollar accounts in April.

From April 1 gold dollar savings accounts will be discontinued, while current accounts in gold dollars will only cease to be carried from April 15.

It is learned that the measure, which is a precautionary one in view of the Far East tension, means that transactions in gold dollars will only be dealt with in New York.

ANGLO-TURKISH TALKS

ACCORDING TO AGENCY MESSAGES THE ANKARA TALKS BETWEEN MR. EDEN AND MEMBERS OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT BEGAN YESTERDAY, WHILE GENERAL DILL ALSO BEGINS HIS TALKS WITH HIGH OFFICERS OF THE TURKISH ARMY.

The Turkish Premier gave a lunch in their honour yesterday and the British Ambassador gave a dinner party last evening.

Neither Mr. Eden nor General Dill have evening clothes with them and they were the only guests not in formal attire at the official dinner party given by the Turkish Foreign Minister. — British Wireless.

INDIA'S LOSSES

The Government spokesman in the Indian Assembly yesterday stated that Muslims killed in different battles in and around Egypt and in other encounters from June, 1939 to December, 1940, numbered 22 and non-Muslims 52.—Reuter.

FRONTIER ACTION

After a successful action against North Waziristan malcontents their leader has fled and is now reported to have realised his error and is contemplating settling with the Government.—Reuter.

TAMSHUI BATTLE

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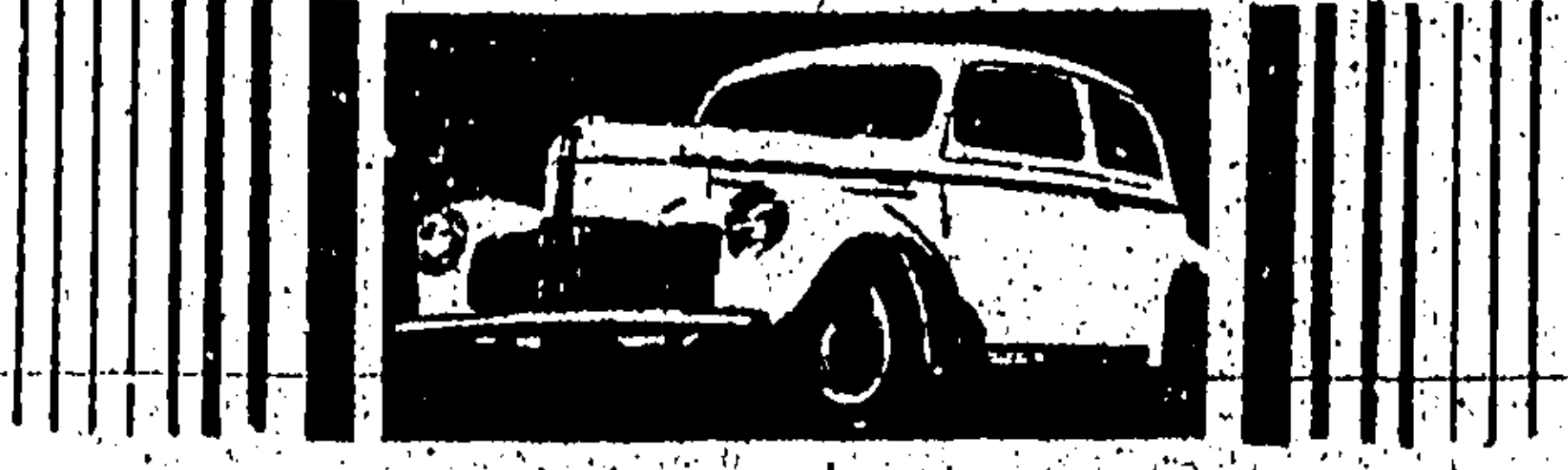
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BRITAIN'S NEED FOR FASTER FREIGHTERS

A COMPREHENSIVE review of British shipping problems was given by Lord Rotherwick (formerly Sir Herbert Cayzer), President of the Chamber of Shipping, at its Annual Meeting in London yesterday.

Lord Rotherwick urged the building of faster cargo liners. While appreciating that the need for maximum new tonnage had impelled Government to order large numbers of slow vessels, it was no use building such ships if their slow speed exposed them unduly to enemy attack.

Only after 18 months of war had Government turned their attention to the faster cargo liner type.

A fast ship, he claimed, could do two voyages for one of a slow ship, and would be less strain on the service of the already over-worked destroyers, as fast ships would not need convoying.

Lord Rotherwick advised a constant review of shipping to ensure that fast ships were not used on less dangerous services that slow ships could perform; this would reduce the time each ship spent in passing through danger areas, and cut to the minimum unavoidable delays under war conditions.

Every Day Counts

Every day counted for victory and precious days should not be lost handling cargo or in repairs or awaiting convoy.

There should be equal priority with the Army and Air Force in the supply of guns and machine-guns to merchantships to enable them to defend themselves against air attack.

Lord Rotherwick said ship owners should be able to purchase Government ships as a partial solution of replacement problems.

At present the only shipping being replaced was Government shipping and the only shipping building was Government building.

Nationalisation

The present policy would result in the bulk of tonnage being Government-owned if the war lasted a long time, and raised the issue of nationalisation.

To enable ship owners to plan ahead and remove the existing uncertainty in this regard, Government should frankly state whether nationalisation was their intention.—Reuter.

The Chairman of the Trades Union Congress General Council Mr. George Gibson, was received by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday. — British Wireless.

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STARTLING JAPANESE REPORT

TWENTY THOUSAND REGULAR CHUNGKING TROOPS HAVE MOVED INTO BURMA RECENTLY, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE BRITISH DEFENCE THERE, SAYS THE SEMI-OFFICIAL JAPANESE AGENCY MENTIONING "AUTHORITATIVE REPORTS."

There is a lack of confirmation of the report from other sources.

It is understood that the arrival of Chungking troops in Burma was carried out in accordance with a secret Anglo-Chinese military alliance concluded in Chungking last month, says the Japanese report. — Reuter.

BURMA PILOTS

The first batch of acting pilot officers to complete training in the Burma Volunteer Air Unit course left for India yesterday for more advanced training, says a communique issued in Rangoon.

Another complement of pilot officers is under training in Burma. — Reuter.

MUSSOLINI'S APOLOGIA

IN WHAT APPEARED to be an attempt to explain away the serious reverses recently suffered by Italy, Mussolini yesterday issued through the Stefani agency a long list of armaments which he sent to General Franco during the Spanish Civil War.

An accompanying statement by the diplomatic correspondent of the agency says: "The figures indicate how important was the contribution to Spain which, coming immediately after the powerful effort made in Ethiopia, doubtless struck a blow at Italy's war potential."

"These two big drafts on the strength of the armed forces were made while other nations were able, on the contrary, to devote all their means to preparing for war."

Explaining the reason for Italian intervention in the Spanish civil war, Stefani's diplomatic correspondent says that it was necessary "for reasons of national revolutionary and Mediterranean policy."

National and Mediterranean reasons made it necessary, he continued, to prevent Spain from becoming a military and naval

base for France and Britain against Italy while revolutionary reasons demanded Italian Fascist intervention for a system modelled on it. — Reuter.

CONTROL IN CEYLON IMMIGRATION

Institution of a passport and visa system, together with a system of permits, is envisaged in two bills coming up before the Ceylon State Council on March 4 aimed at controlling the immigration of non-Ceylonese.

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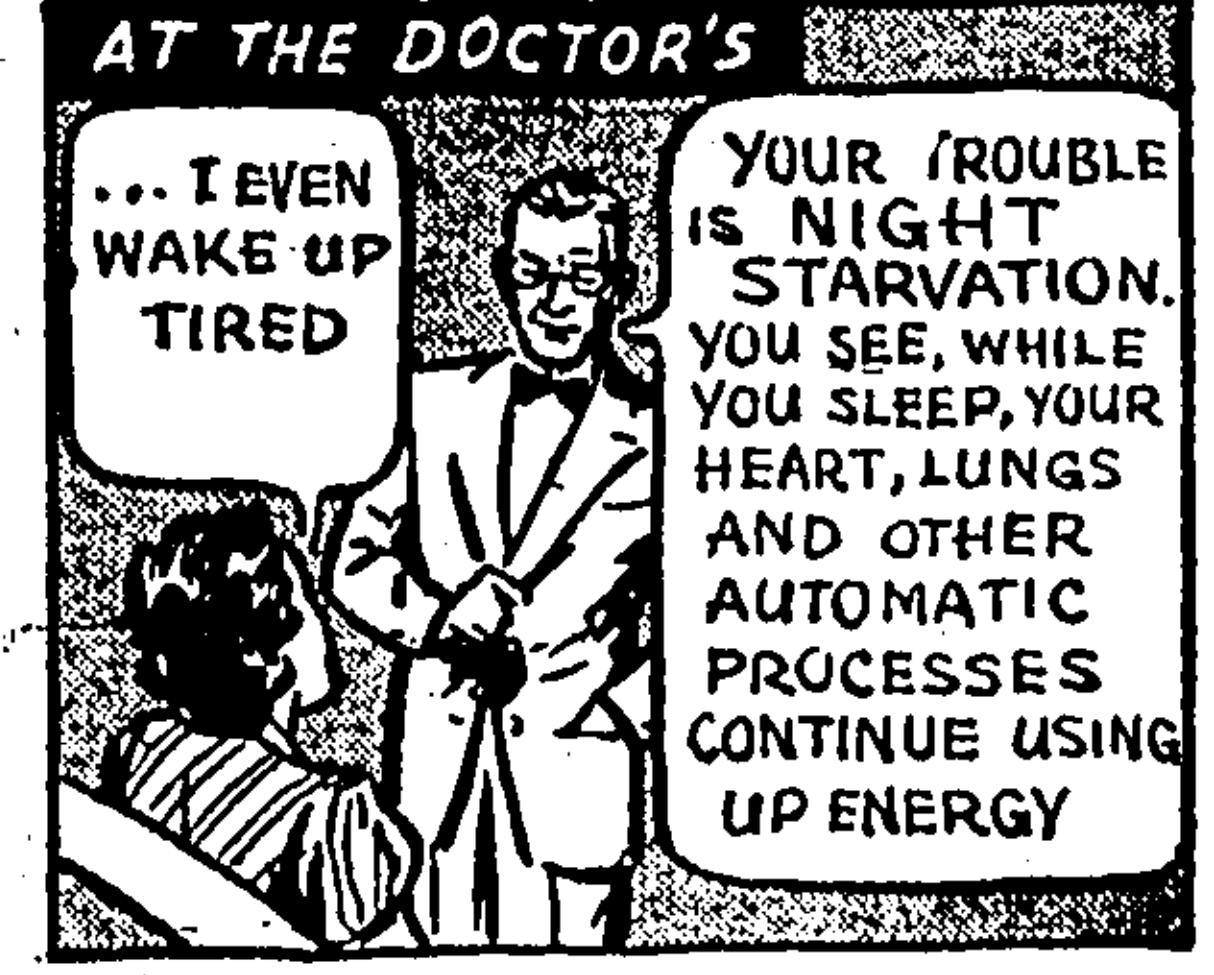
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NOTICE

It has come to the knowledge of the Hong Kong Refugee and Social Welfare Council that a woman is collecting Funds in the Causeway Bay District for St. Peter's Food Kitchen without the permission of the Council. The Council has no collectors of this kind.

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J. R. TAYLOR,
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By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1941.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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FOURTH DAY—

Tuesday,—25th February.

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The tiffin interval will be after the fifth race on the third and fourth days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chats, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building. Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

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♣ 8 4 2

♠ A 9 8
♥ 10 5
♦ A K J 7
♣ Q J 8 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

West properly interpreted his partner's double as calling for the first suit bid by the dummy, so he opened the eight of hearts. The Queen was played from the dummy, and East refused to win but encouraged a continuation by playing the seven of hearts. South ran his four diamonds, discarding a low club from dummy, and then led a low club from his hand. West put up the club King and returned the four of hearts; and East was able to take the Jack and Ace of hearts.

after which he led still another heart. Dummy won with the heart King, but South could not win nine tricks without leading clubs again—and the moment East got in with the club Ace he cashed his last heart and thus set the contract.

Even a second-rate Bridge detective can see that the criminal must be South, but it takes a first-rater to spot the crime. See if you can do it before you read any further.

South's crime occurred at the very first trick! The double and the opening lead should have made it obvious that East had a long heart suit headed by both Ace and Jack, so nothing could be lost by playing one of dummy's low hearts at the first trick. East could take the Jack and Ace of hearts, but then could not both establish and cash the fifth heart.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ A 10 9 7 3
♥ A J 9
♦ Q 8 7
♣ A Q

The bidding:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Maler
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. Two spades would be an underbid, and three spades would exaggerate the strength of the suit. Two no-trump conceals the re-bidability of the spades but accurately describes your general strength.

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Question No. 651

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Maler
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
(?)			

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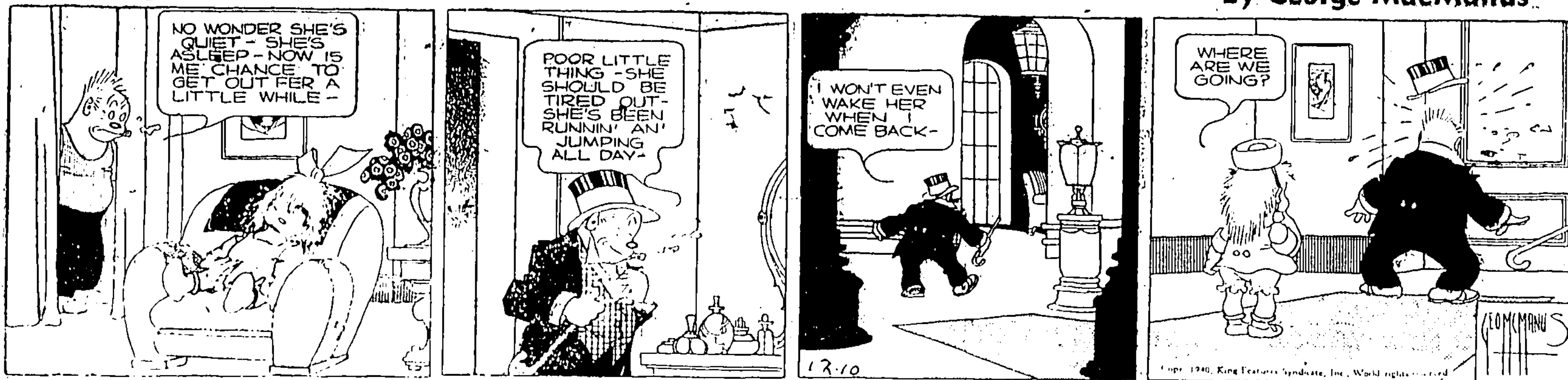
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During the past two years, a Dinner Dance has also featured this Association's activities but on account of the evacuation it has been decided not to hold a function of that description this year.

The dinner will therefore be the main re-union and it is hoped that a representative gathering of those with associations with the two counties will result.

Those who are not members may obtain all particulars from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. L. Starling, residing at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon.

NEW A.D.C. SHOW

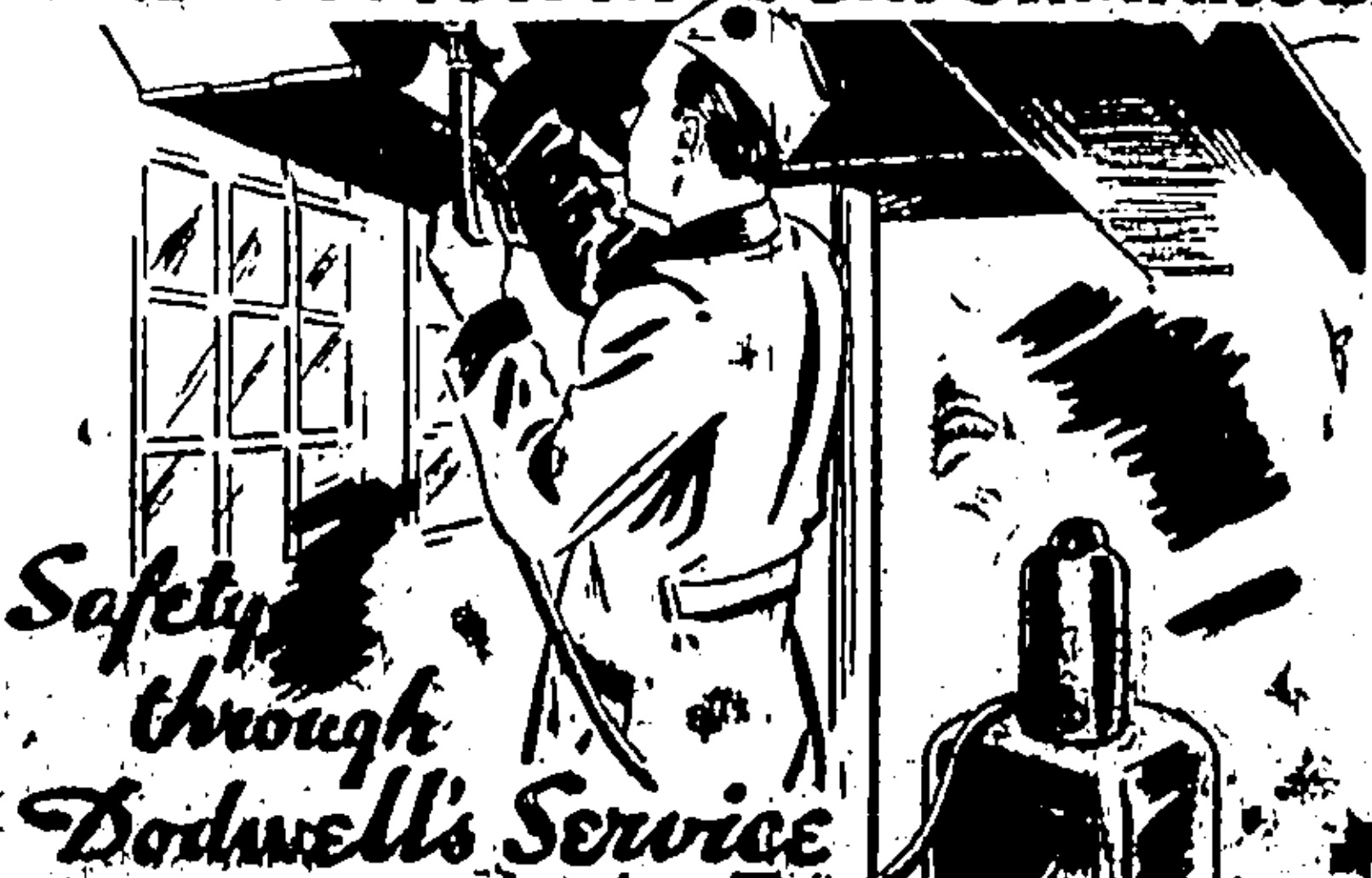
It is learned that the next production of the Hong Kong A.D.C. will be of A. A. Milne's comedy "Sarah Simple."

The play is now in preparation and booking will soon be opening at Anderson's for the performances which will open on March 19 and be repeated on the three following nights.

BRIGHTER TONE OF STOCK MARKET

The London Stock Exchange displayed a brighter tendency yesterday and most markets were firm. Among gilt-edged, War Loan advanced to 103-9/16 while several good features were seen in industrials, notably breweries, as well as Cable and Wire-less (56½ against 54½). Oils tended higher, Shells being quoted at 43/1½ against 41/10½. Kaffirs and coppers were firm on Cape buying. Home Rails were irregular. Japanese bonds recovered a further 10/- to 30/-. Wall Street was narrowly irregular.—Reuter.

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tions.

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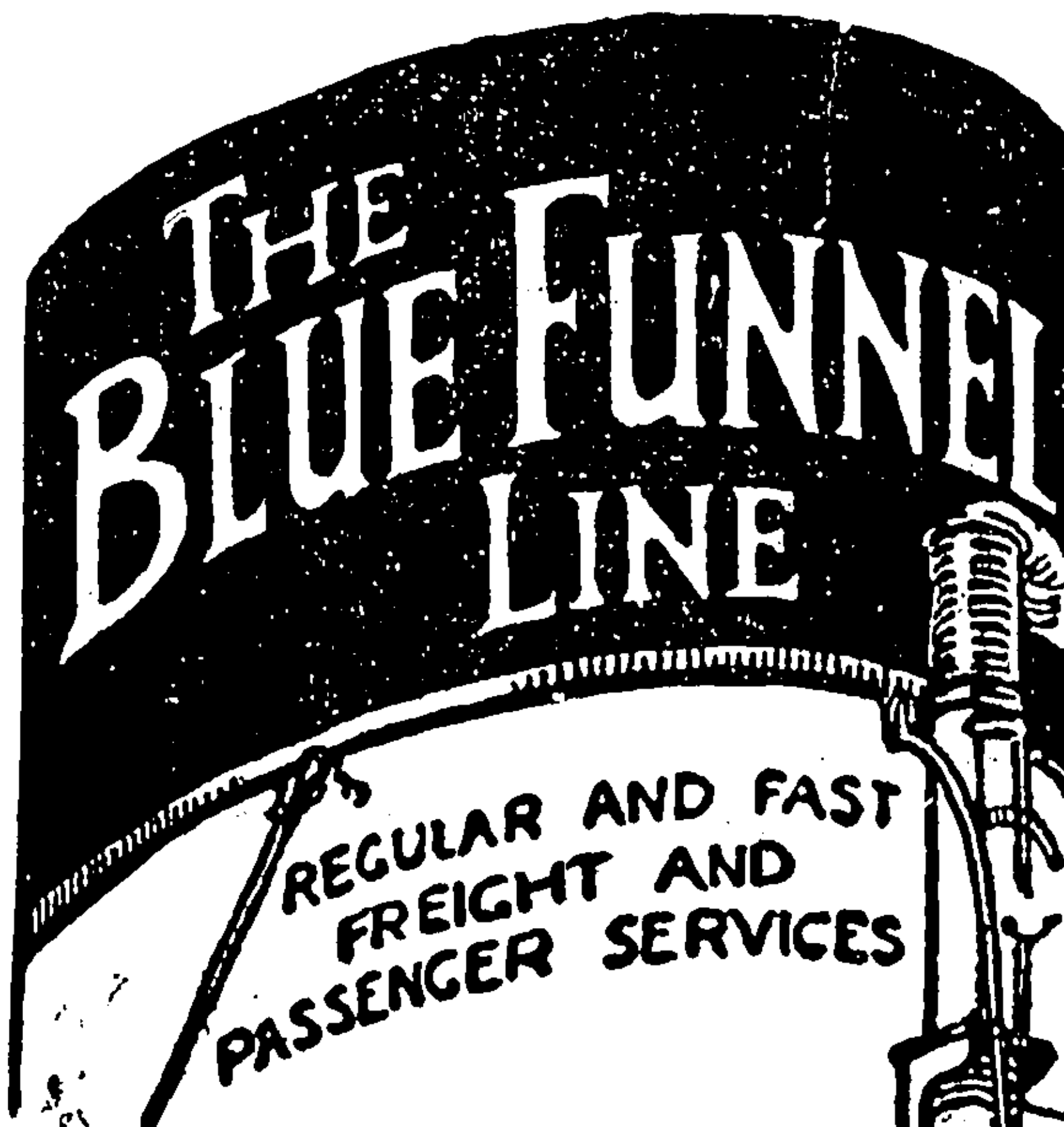
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FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS

By "REFEREE"

Both Divisions of the Shield Competition are now in the Semi-Final stages and while it is difficult to forecast the winners in the Junior division it seems that the Senior title will be between South China and Eastern if they are not drawn against each other in the next round.

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By far the best performance over the week end, was St. Joseph's victory over Sing Tao in the shield competition. St. Joseph's played hard, determined football and this upset the Sing Tao forwards but they will have to produce better form still, if they wish to advance still further in the competition.

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Kwong Wah gave Eastern a good game in the Senior Shield and appear to have been unfortunate to lose by the odd goal in three. Kwong Wah showed great improvement, but were beaten by a brilliant forward line.

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Royal Navy beat Royal Scots, but there was little difference in the score, a late goal giving the Sailors right of entry into the Semi-Final. Royals had several scoring opportunities, but failed badly in the goalmouth. Hosack, on the right wing, was always a source of danger but he lacked support.

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Some thrilling games are promised in the Junior Division as all the surviving teams are almost of equal strength. Sing Tao and South China may be handicapped if the ground is heavy but Service Corps and Navy are able to extend them even on a dry ground.

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The draw for the Semi-Final will take place at the Council meeting on Wednesday, March 12.

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Volunteer camp has again resulted in the postponement of several games this week end. There are still a number of postponed games to be played but it seems that, in spite of these postponements, the season will finish as scheduled.

SIGNALS' HOCKEY WIN

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Prospects For Last Day Of Annual Mtg.

By "Rapier"

THE 1941 ANNUAL RACE MEETING WILL BE CONCLUDED TO-MORROW, THE LAST DAY, GENERALLY REGARDED AS AN OFF-DAY. THERE WILL BE NINE EVENTS ON THE PROGRAMME, MOST IMPORTANT BEING THE PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS, ENTRIES FOR WHICH WILL NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE RACE.

It will take some time for the track to recover from the rough treatment which it received during the last two days of racing, but the going should be somewhat firmer after the short rest.

RACE NO. 1. CAULFIELD STAKES:—ONE MILE

The opening race is confined to Australian ponies, griffins of this meeting with winners barred. Judging by performances during the current meeting, I should say that the following will be prominent:—

Gay Fox (Mr. Poy),
King's Welcome (Mr. Black),
Oracle (Mr. Needa),
Prairie View (Mr. Pih).

I favour Oracle; it was due to bad luck in the Austral Racing Stakes that it lost to Colooma by a short head. Prairie View was third in the same race with Oracle and should do better over the shorter distance.

Gay Fox ran very well up to the Rock in the Austral Hopeful Stakes, but it then faded out of the picture. It will probably make amends to-morrow.

King's Welcome has been a disappointment so far but, given a firm track, it should reveal its true form.

I nominate Oracle to win with Prairie View second and Gay Fox third.

RACE NO. 2. FLEMINGTON PLATE:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to Australian Subscription ponies of 1941 that have not hitherto secured a win.

The following will probably be well up at the finish:—

A Surprising Time (Mr. Black),
Corsair (Mr. P. P. Botelho),
Optima Fide (Mr. Sokoloff),
Sydney Lady (Mr. Hearne).

A Surprising Time was third to Endeavour in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) over the mile, but as this pony is more of a sprinter, I cannot see it winning, although it will probably place again.

Corsair was third in the Warrego Plate and over the shorter distance I think its chances of winning are very bright, and Optima Fide, second to Maple Leaf in the Sandringham Plate, may do better over this distance.

Sydney Lady was second to Lex Fori in the Blue Mountains Plate (Second section) and should give Corsair a good fight for first place.

My choice is Corsair for first place, with Sydney Lady second and A Surprising Time third.

RACE NO. 3. NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES:—FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN

China ponies, griffins of this meeting that have not won, will figure in this race. Looking over the entries, I cannot see anything to touch Charlesber, which was third to Velvetlight in the Tyro Stakes over the mile, while Sam's Choice (Mr. Black) should have little difficulty in securing second place, with Wonderful Scheme taking the third position.

RACE NO. 4. HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to "B" Class, China ponies, winners at this meeting barred. Over the same distance in the Gymkhana Handicap, Hughber (Mr. Chang)

ran quite well, but was beaten by Conquering Time and Eve of Reason which dead-headed for the first position by a short head.

The finish in this race should be fought out between Hughber and Hillsboro Bay (Mr. Needa) which came up too late to secure the fourth position. There is Johnber also to be reckoned with as this pony is good enough to redeem itself if ridden by Mr. Chao. This is the first leg of the "Daily Double."

RACE NO. 5. YARRA STAKES:—FROM THE 1½ MILE POST

There should not be much difficulty in picking out the winner of this race which is confined to Australian griffins of this season with winners barred. After its second placing behind Starlight in the Austral Grand Stand Stakes over this distance, I think that Nomine Poemae (Mr. Chao) should win, but Hascossay (Mr. Davis), which was third, should not be disregarded as it is also a fast-moving animal.

Misty View (Mr. Pih) should find no difficulty in getting the minor position.

RACE NO. 6. TAIPIING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This is the second leg of the "Daily Double" and is confined to "C" Class, China ponies, with winners at this meeting barred.

With Gladiator, the winner of the Jockey Cup over the two mile post, out of the way, I should not be far wrong in nominating Potentate (Mr. Poy) to win this race. It will be recalled that this pony was leading on coming down the straight in the final run for home when it lost to Gladiator, a few yards from the winning post, by half a length.

There is Galveston Bay (Mr. Needa) to be reckoned with as this pony was third, losing by another

three lengths. Emergency Unit, if ridden by an experienced jockey, should also be there at the finish. However, I am inclined to back Potentate to win, with Galveston Bay second and Emergency Unit third.

RACE NO. 7. FLEMINGTON PLATE (SECOND SECTION):—ONE MILE

The second batch of Australian Subscription griffins of 1941 will try conclusions in this race, with winning ponies barred.

Mainsail (Mr. Yuen) put up a great show in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) when it lost to Endeavour, and judging by its performance in that race, it should win. Bugle (Mr. Moller) will probably be placed again.

Vitamin M. (Mr. Black) has not shown us anything as yet. The best it has done was to come in third in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (Third section) over six furlongs. However, if the track is firmer to-morrow it might easily account for this race.

RACE NO. 8. PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS:—1¼ MILES

This is the main event of the afternoon and I expect to see the following starting:—

United Express (Mr. Ip Kui-ying):

Endeavour (Mr. Moller);
Jus Gentium (Mr. Sokoloff);
Black Seal (Mr. Noodt);
Manhattan (Mr. Hearne);
Dutch Treat (Mr. P. P. Botelho);
Never-Never (Mr. Black);
Santa-Anita (Mr. Liang).

United Express has three wins to its credit and judging from its run in the Rooty-Hill Derby, I must tip it to prove its superiority again.

Endeavour, the second pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, has im-

ATTACKING TIME LAME

Attacking Time, belonging to Necan and entered for the Taping Handicap to-morrow, was found lame after its morning gallop to-day and Mr. K. I. Ip, the rider, dismounted near the seven furlongs post and led the pony back to the Paddock.

proved since its last run and should give a better account of itself although I cannot see it winning.

The shorter distance should be more to the liking of Manhattan, which I think will fight it out with Jus Gentium, the third pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, for the third place.

RACE NO. 9. BENARBA HANDICAP:—TWO MILES

This is the last race of the day and is confined to "C" and "D" Classes Australian Subscription ponies.

There is nothing much to choose from in this race and I think Venus Bay (Mr. Needa) should win as it will be running against weak opposition.

The only danger here is Warrego River (Mr. Black) which is good over this distance.

Cheerful Star (Mr. Tao) should not find any difficulty in taking the third position.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM

Following have been selected to represent the Colony in the forthcoming hockey Interport with Macao on March 9:

V. M. Benwell (Club)
V. C. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Goncalves (Recreio)
R. Marques (Recreio)
W. A. Reed (Nomads)
N. B. M. Whitley (C.B.A.)
Kaminder Singh (Khalsa)
Gurbachan Singh (Khalsa)
B. Gosano (Recreio)
H. L. Ozorio (Recreio)
W. Brown (Police)
Manager:—D. T. Smith.
Reserves:—A. E. P. Guest (Khalsa), E. Fowler (C.B.A.) and A. N. Alves (Recreio).



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TAMAR'S NARROW CRICKET WIN

At King's Park yesterday, Tamar Cricket Club beat Diocesan Boys' School by 1 run in a friendly cricket match.

TAMAR C.C.				
Brown, c. Whitfield, b. Ebrahim	11			
Wilson, lbw, b. Ebrahim	5			
West, c. Lyson, b. Macauley	23			
Horgan, b. Hulse	0			
Hopkins, c. Hulse, b. Ebrahim	11			
Sharp, c. Macauley, b. Hulse	6			
Snell, lbw, b. Hulse	8			
Barton, b. Hulse	0			
Ramsey, c. Hulse, b. Macauley	0			
Marie, b. Macauley	5			
Metcalf, not out	1			
Extras (B8, W1)	9			
Total	79			

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hulse	10	2	28	4
Ebrahim	6	0	24	3
Macauley	4	0	18	3

D.B.S.				
J. Macauley, c. Hopkins, b. Barton	4			
Whitfield, b. West	3			
Hulse, c. Sharp, b. Horgan	57			
Challen, b. Hulse	0			
Ebrahim, c. and b. West	0			
Jernakoff, b. West	0			
Randall, b. West	1			
W. Macauley, st. Hopkins, b. Horgan	3			
Lyson, lb. wkt, b. Horgan	0			
Rosset, st. Hopkins, b. Horgan	0			
Read, not out	1			
Extras (B8, W1)	9			
Total	78			

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
West	9	2	36	5
Barton	6	0	25	1
Horgan	2	0	8	4

Diocesan Juniors' Easy Win

In a friendly Cricket match at Prince Edward Road yesterday, Diocesan Boys' School second team trounced Ellis Kadoorie Indian School by 81 runs.

DIOCESAN BOYS' 2ND XI				
J. Ramsey, run out	14			
W. H. Parker, c. Moosa, b. Hyder	1			
W. Newbern, b. G. Singh	1			
D. Dunn, b. Hyder	2			
K. Prokopoff, b. Hyder	22			



GOLF STARTING TIMES

Following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanning for Sunday:

Old Course	
9.16 a.m.	G. E. Costello, B. D. Evans.
9.20	I. H. Geare, K. S. Morrison.
9.24	A. V. Greaves, I. H. C. Highest.
9.28	G. M. Park, F. A. Howard.
9.32	R. H. Challinor, J. B. Harrison.
9.36	A. W. Bourne, R. Young.
9.40	J. Hagrop, J. Linaker.
9.44	M. H. Turner, J. C. Taylor.
9.48	A. B. Purves, T. Megarry.
9.52	J. D. Clague, P. E. Annis.
9.56	H. M. Rowland, P. M. Cotton.
10.00	A. Mabb, R. L. S. Webb.
10.04	A. C. Meredith, J. Fleming.
10.08	S. T. Butlin, T. Low.
10.12	J. W. Clague, D. I. Bosanquet.
10.16	D. Lynn, H. A. Mills.
10.20	R. M. Wood, J. E. Richardson.
10.24	J. E. Potter, T. V. N. Fortescue.
10.28	A. C. I. Bowker, S. L. Lloyd.
10.32	E. Moller, J. A. Ritchie.
10.36	G. T. Lowry, Surg. Lt. Cdr. Page.
10.40	Major Giles, Major Penfold.
10.44	Capt. Campbell, Pay. Cdr. Burton.
New Course	
9.24	Miss Cuthbertson, J. G. Jensen.
9.28	Miss Boyd, Major Alley.
10.16	P. V. McLane, E. G. Price.
10.20	L. M. S. Lloyd, H. F. Phillips.
10.24	Brig. MacLeod, S. H. Dodwell.
10.32	H. J. Armstrong, Col. Matthews.
11.32	General Grasett, Major Meek.

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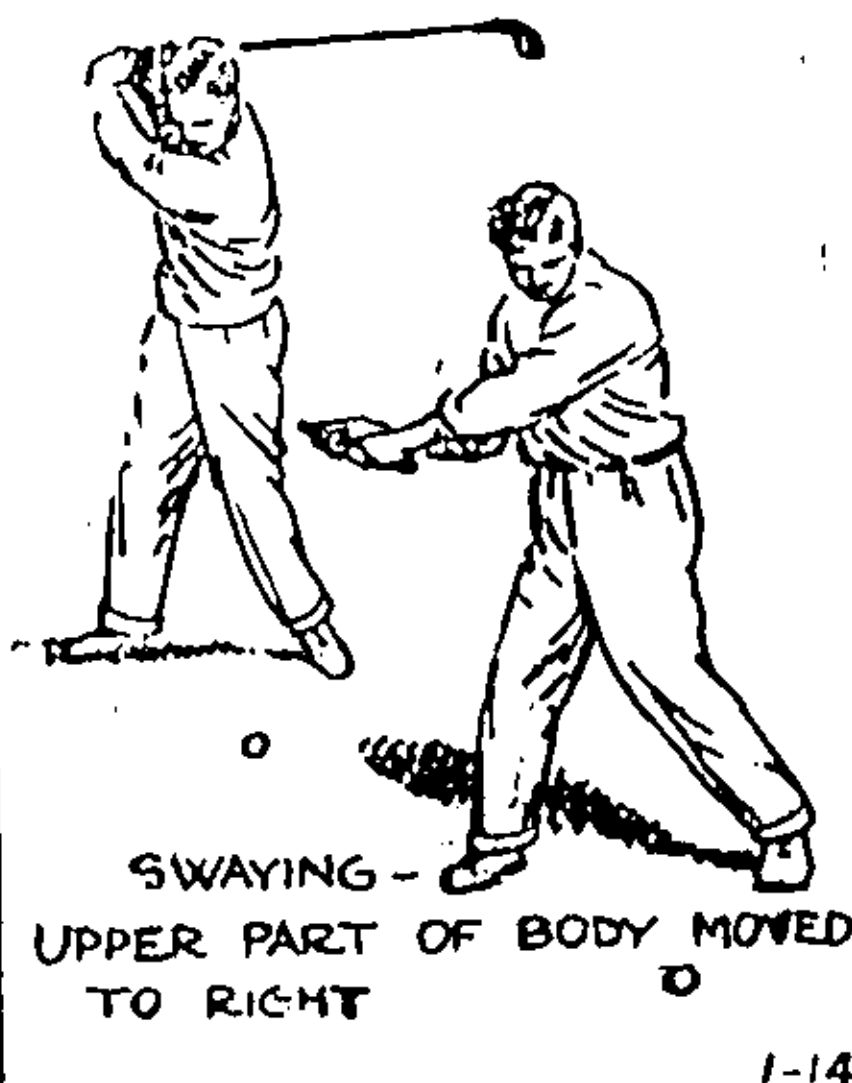
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SWAYING - UPPER PART OF BODY MOVED TO RIGHT

SWAY

By BEST BALL

The initial difference between swaying and proper body turn is well illustrated by the examples above. In the lower figure, a definite sway has already taken place. The upper part of this player's body has already moved perceptibly to the right, so that both the shoulder and head position are considerably removed from the orthodox stance at address. In fact so flagrant is the error that the player appears to be pushing his body to the right with his left leg. The fact that the left ankle at this point is still unyielding and not flexed inward adds the element of tension to a stroke that has no definite centre and can only be brought back to the ball accurately by making the same amount of sway forward on the downstroke. In the upper figure an example of true body turn is portrayed, the head remaining in the same position it occupied at address and the body turning around easily beneath it.

Next Article:—Dragging The Clubhead.

CYCLONE SOFTBALL TEAM

The following will represent Cyclones' Softball team in their League match against St. Joseph's on Sunday, at Kowloon F.C. at 1.30 p.m.:

A. R. Razack (Capt.), "Pinky" Pineda, Kelly Silva-Netto, A. K. Marker, Barney Abbas, A. A. Rumjahn, S. Bux, K. M. Rumjahn, Coffee Baker, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Abbas and A. R. Marken.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

VALEDICTORY

WE regret to announce the departure of Captain A. W. F. Peal, of Middlesex Regiment, who left for home yesterday, and who for the past 14 months has carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary Army Association Football, Athletics, and Tug-of-war.

Whilst carrying out these duties he has improved the standard of these sports immensely, and has done a great deal in general for Army Sports.

He has particularly improved Army Football, and is the first Hon. Secretary for Football during the past four seasons to assist in selecting a winning Army side, which defeated the Chinese in the Semi-Final of the Lai Wah Cup.

He will be greatly missed by all who have come in contact with him, and we wish him every success in his new sphere of life, and wherever he is bound for, all ranks of the Garrison wish him "Bon Voyage."

CROSS COUNTRY

Last Monday, Combined Small Units challenged Middlesex Regt. to a cross country run, which resulted in a fine win for the latter.

The Diehards did very well in this run, having seven men in the first ten home.

L/Cpl. Dunne, Middlesex, was the first home followed by L/Cpl. Heather, Middlesex and Cpl. Houson, Middlesex third.

Middlesex are strong favourites for the Command Cross Country (British Ranks run) which is taking place on Tuesday, March 4, starting and finishing from the Hong Kong Polo ground.

SOCCER

TO-MORROW at Sookunpoo Middlesex and Royal Scots meet for their First division League encounter.

The former, who at present are playing well to form should have no difficulty in accounting for the Scots.

Royal Engineers and the Royal Army Service Corps, who are both fighting it out for the Second Division honours have both a difficult match this week-end, and neither can afford to make a slip.

Both have played the same number of games and the Engineers are three points in the lead. Service Corps, who have scored 90 goals in the League football this season, have only another six to score to equal the goal-scoring record.

Engineers have another 14 goals to get to equal this record. Both have six more games to play and anything is liable to happen.

Service Corps are still in the Junior Shield and it is rather hard to concentrate on both the Championship, and the Shield. The Engineers have nothing to worry about in the Shield as they were knocked-out in the last round.

There are now three players, who are running for first place in the goal scoring table.

Jennings, of Middlesex, Fox and Lee Wai Lam, of the Engineers, who have all scored 29 goals, are leading all the divisions. Hendy, Royal Navy, heads the First Division with 19 goals, and Brackenbury, Signals, heads the Third Division with N. Jones of the Engineers.



RUGBY

IN the seven-a-side rugby tournament held at the Club ground on Wednesday two Army teams were again successful.

8th Hvy. Regt., R.A. "A" team defeated Combined Small Units "A" by six points to nil, and Middlesex Regt. "B" defeated Club "B" by five points to three after having a five point lead at the interval.

At Sookunpoo on Tuesday two matches were played in the Large Units Rugby League.

Royal Scots drew with Combined Small Units, three points all, and Royal Engineers beat Middlesex Regt. eight points to three.

Engineers are still undefeated in the League, and the league table to date is as follows.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Royal Engineers	4	4	0	0	8
Royal Artillery	3	2	0	1	4
Royal Scots	3	1	1	1	3
Middlesex	4	1	0	3	2
Combined Small Units	4	0	1	3	1

Captain R. E. Guest of the Middlesex Regt. has taken over the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary Army Association Football, Athletics, and Cross Country.

BRITAIN DELIVERS

The GOODS

Drink BARCLAY'S BEER

A fine exhibition of Duck Pin bowling was given on February 21, by Miss Barbara Soong, the 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. Elsie Soong. Barbara is following very closely in her mother's footsteps, and in the course of a year or so Mrs. Soong will probably have to take a back seat in this game, at least as far as her daughter is concerned.

Mrs. Soong is one of the best Lady Duck Pin bowlers in the Colony and holds the record for the Alleys both for Ladies and Gentlemen with a 168 made in March 1936.

Barbara Soong's feat, on Feb. 21, was as follows.

She played eleven games, her scores being 74, 76, 81, 77, 87, 80, 71, 61, 88, 62 and 73, giving an aggregate of 810 pins or an average of 73.7 pins per game.

Adult Duck Pin bowling fans will agree that it is very difficult to average 70 to 80 pins for eleven games, and it is therefore all the more creditable that a "kiddie" of 10 should have done so well. With a bit of luck on her ninth game she might easily have made 160 pins.

Surprise Win

The third round of the Singles Handicap Competition is well under way. One match was played on February 14, and this resulted in a surprise win for N. D. Gardner (150) over S. A. Ismail (126) by 484 to 403.

Ismail was expected to win despite his heavy handicap, but he bowled much below his usual form. Gardner actually won the encounter without his handicap by 146 pins, and would have

done better if he had not made a lowly 111-pins on his second game, after scoring 160 on his first game, and 141 on his third game.

Closer Finish

A much closer match was played on the same day between C. M. Williams and Sig. W. Devlin of the Royal Corps of Signals. Both were plus 43, Williams winning by 31 pins, the scores being Williams 518 and Devlin 487.

Both players had one poor game each, Williams after putting up a good 195, and 190 on his first and second games, dropped to a poor 133 on his third.

Devlin who has been playing good Ten Pin bowls lately, and was expected to win, started off with a fair 162, then a poor 131, and finished strongly with a good 194.

On February 19, Sig. A. Cleggett (Royal Corps of Signals) met H. E. Waller. Cleggett was plus 26 and Waller plus 43, and the former managed to pull through by the extremely low margin of seven pins. The scores were Cleggett 454 and Waller 447.

Ernie Hearther, the veteran bowler, received a shock when he played Gm. Cooper on February 24. The match was also in

the third round of the Singles Handicap Competition, and although Cooper is known to be a hard fighter the consensus was that Heather would win. However, Cooper won by no less than 102 pins, which included his handicap of plus 42. Heather was plus 10 and, therefore had to concede the formidable margin of 99 pins for the three games. The scores were Cooper 568 and Heather 466.

Tulsa's Win

There was a very interesting five-game Ten Pin match on February 20, between our old friends of the "Tulsa" and a team led by Ernie Hearther. Heather's team were walloped by no less than 153 pins, the scores being Tulsa 3343 and Heather's Team 3181.

Nichoff, for Tulsa, was the star bowler of the match. He bagged 950 or an average of exactly 190 pins per game, and for this he was presented with two books of tickets for twenty-five games, by the management of the Alleys. He also notched the highest individual score of the match—a brilliant 246 pins on his third game.

Ernie Hearther was second top scorer with 928. He also netted 220 on his fourth game. His performance during this match was

better than that against Cooper in the Singles Handicap Competition as I mentioned previously.

Peterson, for Tulsa, was third top scorer with 810. He also registered the second highest individual score of the match with 238 pins, which he made on his first game. His effort on this occasion was as follows:—commencing with a spare on his first frame, he then made a strike on his second frame, a spare on his third frame, a strike on his fourth frame. He failed on his fifth frame to make a nine, and then struck out with seven strikes in a row, on his sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and 10th frames and the two extra balls. It was a good effort indeed!

Engle, for Tulsa, also did his share in beating Heather's team by putting up a very useful 812. He would have done much better had he not dropped down to a very poor 130 which he made on his fourth game.

Ross, for Tulsa, was called in at the last moment to complete the side. This was his first match game in these Alleys, and his 662 was not so good.

Had either Shanty Moore or Tony Borg been available for Tulsa there would have been a much bigger victory for the Tulsa.

Waller and Williams for Ernie Hearther's team, did not seem at all comfortable. Waller's 719 or average of 144, while being quite fair was not good enough, while Williams bowled well below his usual form and made a 696 or an average of 139 pins per game.



Barbara Soong.

BAXTER TOPS BATTING AVERAGES

Thanks to an innings of 74, not out, D. J. N. Anderson, of Kowloon Cricket Club, has jumped to top place in the League Cricket batting averages, his figures being 105.50. Incidentally, Anderson is the only man in the League to have scored more than 200 runs.

A. H. Madar, I.R.C., is second in the list with an average of 80, while young J. M. Gosano, the only other man to have topped the three-figure mark apart from Anderson, has an average of 57.

Most successful bowler up-to-date is N. D. Lloyd (K.C.C.) whose 20 wickets cost him an average of a little over 9 runs apiece.

In the Second Division K. M. Baxter's average of 119.00 places him at the head of the table, while M. A. Wahab, thanks to two not-out innings, boasts an average of 32!

FIRST DIVISION BATTING

(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	Avg.
D. J. N. Anderson	4	2	211	74	105.50
A. H. Madar	2	1	80	41	60.00
J. Hulse	2	1	58	58	58.00
M. Gosano	3	1	114	75	57.00
T. Ride	3	1	96	66	48.00
L. Gosano	3	1	95	81	47.50
V. N. Fortescue	2	1	46	36	46.00
N. Gosano	3	1	90	46	45.00
O. Gosano	2	1	41	38	41.00
A. R. H. Esmail	2	1	32	20	32.00
A. R. Kitchell	2	0	57	45	28.50
E. F. Fincher	2	0	48	47	24.00
N. C. Sen Gupta	2	1	23	16	23.00
J. E. Richardson	2	0	46	31	23.00
A. H. Rumjahn	2	0	45	36	22.50
F. J. Lay	3	0	65	34	21.67
G. Souza	2	0	39	36	19.50
O. Hung	4	0	75	34	18.75
M. Rumjahn	2	0	33	17	16.50
N. Singh	2	1	16	15	16.00
K. Y. Tam	3	0	46	22	15.33
N. A. E. Mackay	4	1	45	28	15.00

BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
A. K. Ismail	9	10	31	7	4.43
G. N. Gosano	3	1	18	2	9.00
N. D. Lloyd	52	7	4	187	9.35
E. L. Gosano	26	3	3	71	10.14
P. M. N. da Silva	12	2	53	5	10.60
J. Hulse	10	1	41	3	13.67
A. R. Zimmern	44	6	136	9	15.11
A. R. Minu	27	1	155	9	17.22
W. S. Gegg	28	1	152	8	19.00

SECOND DIVISION BATTING

(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	Avg.
K. M. Baxter	4	2	238	103	119.00
M. A. Wahab	3	2	82	31	82.00
T. A. Madar	4	1	139	104	46.33
A. B. Hamson	3	1	83	47	41.50
G. Stone	3	1	78	78	39.00
J. H. Esmail	3	2	38	23	38.00
K. Lo	5	1	134	53	33.50
R. S. Gill	3	1	54	36	27.00
M. R. Abbas	4	0	107	69	26.75
F. J. Remedios	4	1	79	50	26.33
D. Chelliah	4	0	102	40	25.60
J. Barrow	2	0	47	36	23.50
J. M. Omar	2	0	46	25	23.00
G. Ainslie	3	0	66	50	22.00
M. A. Remedios	4	0	87	44	21.75
W. L. Clark	2	0	43	39	21.50
W. L. Rapley	3	0	59	25	19.67
T. Ali	4	2	39	21	19.50
A. E. Carey	4	0	76	26	19.00
H. Tyler	4	0	75	41	18.75
E. A. Lee	4	0	75	59	18.75
H. T. Barma	3	0	50	19	16.67
C. W. Lam	4	0	66	25	16.50
A. R. Suffiad	4	0	60	28	15.00

BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
J. E. Taylor	7	2	16	4	4.00
R. J. Fenton	11	5	42	10	4.20
P. M. N. da Silva	31	8	80	17	4.70
M. A. Remedios	18	2	52	11	4.73
A. M. Omar	42	2	9	113	4.27
R. Baldwin	14	0	61	9	6.78
K. M. Baxter	8	1	39	5	7.90
G. Stone	15	1	60	8	8.25
J. H. Esmail	20	6	1	77	9.84
N. L. Smith	22	4	77	8	9.63
M. R. Abbas	35	3	0	103	9.70
R. S. Gill	19	4	78	8	9.75
H. Danbrowsky	18	2	123	10	12.30
W. K. Way	9	1	37	3	12.33
A. E. Carey	41	5	3	154	14.00
J. Ainslie	11	7	0	62	14.25
A. R. Atchell	47	8	130	9	14.45
M. B. Hassan	4	0	20	1	20.00

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WASHINGTON AND FAR EAST TENSION

The United States Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, was to see both the new Japanese Ambassador, Admiral Nomura, and the Soviet Ambassador, M. Oumansky, in Washington yesterday afternoon, says Reuter.

JOHN WINANT FLYING TO ENGLAND

Mr. John G. Winant, new American Ambassador to Britain, left by Clipper for Lisbon yesterday en route to London.

In the statement made before leaving, Mr. Winant said that he and President Roosevelt were in agreement on the policy of material aid to Britain, and he would do his best to carry through that policy.

Whatever is done must depend on whatever the American

NATIONALS ORDERED TO EVACUATE IN PRESSURE TACTICS

ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS from Tokyo the Japanese Consul-General yesterday summoned representatives of Japanese residents in Saigon and advised them to prepare to evacuate Indo-China at a moment's notice in view of the mounting tension over the Tokyo conference.

Japanese in Saigon, totalling 120, immediately started preparations to evacuate.

The notice is described in Tokyo as a "perfectly proper measure," in the event of the Tokyo mediation failing.

The French Ambassador to Japan is at present conferring with Matsuoka and it is presumed he will be transmitting Vichy's reply to what is described in Japanese official quarters as Japan's "final proposals" for settlement of the border dispute with Thailand.

Semi-official Japanese reports reveal uncertainty whether a satisfactory agreement can be reached.

THE WITHDRAWAL NOTICE FOLLOWS THE WARNING CHORUS IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS THREATENING DRAMATIC CONSEQUENCES SHOULD EITHER THAI OR THE FRENCH REJECT THE JAPANESE PROPOSALS

people make it possible to do in the weeks and months ahead. "We all know what England is doing and we recognise the gallantry, sacrifice and unity of her people under the leadership of Mr. Winston Churchill," he declared. — Reuter

Thai Ready To Accept ?

It is believed in Tokyo that the Thai delegates are ready to accept the territorial cession proposed by the Japanese but that the French have opposed any revision of the border from the outset.

Government officials declared in Tokyo yesterday that they were not nervous about the outcome and said that the orders to Japanese to withdraw from Indo-China was a perfectly proper measure in case of failure of the mediation effort.

Japanese Bases

The Japanese military forces, in preparation for the Southward expansion, have been most active in the vicinity of Hainan and Canton, according to the Chinese military spokesman in Chungking.

Declaring that the Japanese are using Hainan Island as the main base of the southward move, the spokesman said that the Japanese are strengthening the harbour fortifications there, particularly at Yulin harbour on the southern tip of the island.

The Japanese are also said to be establishing new supply depots and bases along the Kwangtung coast, including Bias Bay.

China's Interest

The defence of the Southern Pacific with Great Britain, the United States and the Dutch East Indies, was emphasised in a special article in yesterday's Chinese official newspaper, the "Central Daily News," which declares: There are 10 million Chinese residing in the south-east whose lives and property are directly threatened by Japan's southward expansion.

"Therefore China must have discussions with the powers concerned with a view to joint defence in the Southern Pacific." —

Decisive Stage

The conversations between France and Thailand have now entered a decisive stage, according to a Vichy report quoted by the Swiss radio yesterday.

The report says the French Ambassador in Tokyo had several interviews with Mr. Matsuoka, while talks are proceeding almost daily at Vichy between the Japanese Charge d'Affaires and the French Foreign Ministry.

The report adds that the French Government has received a Note containing Japanese proposals which Thai would be prepared to accept.

According to Domei

"Smooth progress" in the economic conversations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies is indicated in a message from Batavia to the Domei agency.

Mr. Yutaka Ishizawa, consul-general, and Jonkheer van Hoogstraeten, head of the Dutch East Indies delegation, had another conference yesterday, it is added, while it is understood that they met on Wednesday for over three hours. — Reuter.

INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE BLASTED

(Continued from Page 1) third largest city, an important Rhine port, a great centre of railways elaborately planned for military purposes, a natural bridge between Germany and the countries she has invaded, and the centre of many engineering and chemical works. The crew of one of the bombers previously reported missing from Wednesday night's operations are now known to be safe. — Reuter.

Bang In Centre

One pilot said: "Just before we bombed I made an independent check of our position."

It was 9.50 p.m. when we dropped our first stick of high explosive bombs -- that was an hour after we had arrived. By this time there were four huge fires bang in the centre of the target. The navigator and second pilot said they could see surrounding buildings lit up by the light of fires and those which were on fire were actually crumbling down.

All the time searchlights were sweeping round to pick us up and at times it was difficult to get away from them. A.A. gun-fire were putting up heavy shells.

We also saw an enemy fighter just below us but he didn't see us.

Heaviest Bomb

Our first stick of bombs burst just to the side of four huge fires in the centre of the target and they started some more. Then we turned round, went away a bit and came back to drop our heaviest bomb.

After this had fallen there was a tremendous flash and a huge sheet of flame shot up high into the air. It seemed as though the whole area had suddenly caught alight.

Looking down we could see a square patch of red with tongues of flames spreading outward. The flames were so bright they lit up three of our own bombers in the sky.

My rear gunner, as soon as we had turned for home, kept calling me up on the inter-comm to tell me he could see more bombs going down and more fires starting. — British Wireless.

DR. CURRIE'S FAITH IN DESTINY OF CHINA

"I LEAVE WITH my faith in the greatness of China's destiny confirmed," declared Mr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's envoy, upon his departure by air from Chungking for Hong Kong en route to Washington.

In a statement to the press he says: "I wish it were possible, on leaving Chungking, to express adequately my gratitude for the warm hospitality which has been accorded me and Mr. Emile Dupres (member of the mission).

"Government departments have been cooperative in furnishing information. This has made our task relatively easy.

"I want to convey my thanks, through the press, to the many people in Government offices who worked hard to make this cooperation effective.

"For me this visit has been a memorable experience and I leave with my faith in the greatness of China's destiny confirmed."

Mr. Currie and Mr. Dupres were seen off at the airfield by a number of Chinese leaders, including Dr. H. H. Kung, the Finance Minister. — Reuter.



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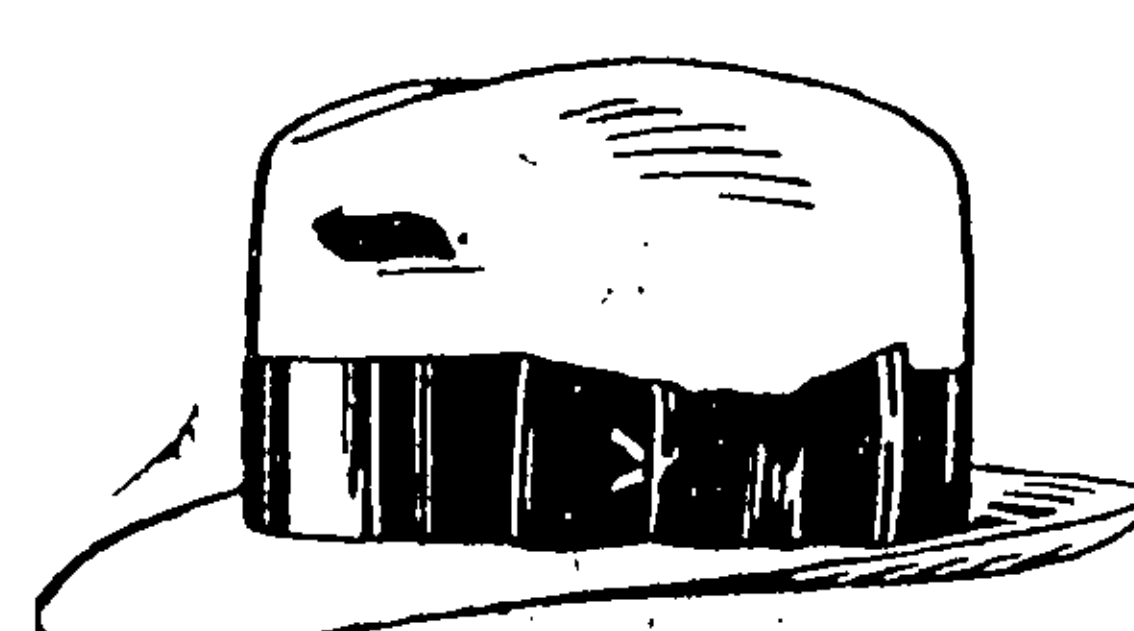
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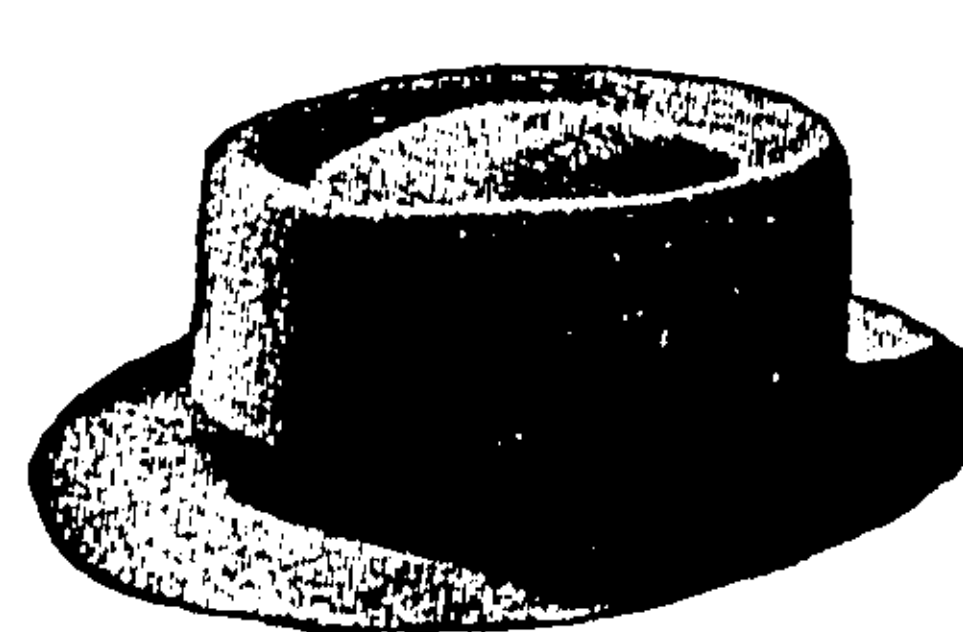
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INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE BLASTED

ITALY IN NAZI CONTROL

(By K. Smith)

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

International News was informed in Washington last night that the United States Government has reason to believe that control of Italy has passed to German hands.

While Mussolini still heads the Italian Government, actual control is in the hands of the Gestapo (Nazi secret police) and the German military, according to United States Government information.

It is believed the Germans have taken over Italy mainly to prevent revolution. — International News Service.

BERLIN PARACHUTE CHARGES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin charged last night that British agents, dropped by parachute in Holland, were partially responsible for the riots and anti-German demonstrations which resulted in at least six deaths and many casualties in Amsterdam.

Discussing the series of disturbances which preceded the establishment of full martial law and scores of arrests, the Nazis admitted it would be a comparatively simple matter for the British to drop numbers of fully trained civilian agitators in Holland to stir up trouble.

It is understood that several hundred Netherlands demonstrators organized an anti-German parade, marched through the streets of Amsterdam breaking German shop windows, and assaulted Nazi guards.

It is admitted in Berlin that the military regulations in North Holland amount to martial law and that additional arrests have been made. — International News Service.

WEATHER FORECAST:—Moderate east and south-east winds, freshening from north and north-east; cloudy with fog or mist at first, probably rain later.

Huge Conflagrations In R.A.F. Raid

TURKEY CLOSES STRAITS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Reports from Budapest state that the Turkish Government closed the Straits of Dardanelles soon after reports that 12,000 German troops had entered Bulgaria.

All ships were forbidden to pass through the Straits.

This move, it is also stated, followed shortly after negotiations between Mr. Anthony Eden and the Turkish Government.

It is believed that Mr. Eden is arranging permission from the Turkish Government for the British Fleet to enter the Black Sea and also to establish R.A.F. bases on Turkish territory. — International News Service.

British Consul Burgled

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It was reported in Belgrade last night that the British consulate in Sofia was entered by burglars on Monday and a quantity of money and important documents stolen.

IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT VLADAN GRENOVITCH, A RUSSIAN MEMBER OF THE CONSULATE STAFF, WAS KIDNAPPED BEFORE THE TRAIN BEARING CONSULATE OFFICIALS CROSSED THE BULGARIAN FRONTIER.

The British Minister to Bulgaria, Mr. George Rendel, has demanded an investigation by the Bulgarian Government. — International News Service.

AIR CRASH INQUIRY

(By Allen Compton)

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Multiple investigations were launched in Jonesboro, Georgia, last night into the mysterious crash of an Eastern Airlines plane which killed a Congressman and six others and injured nine more, including Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, famous World War ace.

The dead include Representative William D. Byron, of Maryland, and

Mr. B. C. Van der Moop, Dutch East Indies business executive. — International News Service.

ALTOGETHER 150 FIRES WERE BURNING AT ONE TIME IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AS RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY A STRONG FORCE OF R.A.F. BOMBERS.

The attack proceeded systematically for two and a half hours. As incendiaries, sticks of bombs and heavy bombs followed each other, patches of fire grew until they joined into huge conflagrations devouring warehouses and factories.

Oil storage tanks on the Rhine bank blazed with lurid green flames mixed with a volume of smoke, while sharp and heavy explosions contributed to the general destruction.

One pilot who spent 70 minutes over Cologne said: "We arrived before we were due and had to await our turn before bombing so that the people with incendiary bombs could get their loads in first."

"After the incendiaries had done their work there was a continuous stream of high explosives."

Impressive Sight

"It was an impressive sight. Before my turn came I counted 70 or 80 sticks of bombs going down, in addition to heavy bombs."

"As the flames spread and spread they lit up three British bombers in the sky."

The Air Ministry news service, giving these reports, points out that Cologne is Germany's third largest city, an important Rhine port, a great centre of railways elaborately planned for military purposes, a natural bridge between Germany and the countries she has invaded and the centre of many engineering and chemical works.

The crew of one of the bombers previously reported missing from (Continued on Page 16)

TOKYO TONE OF MENACE

The Japanese Government spokesman, Mr. Ishii, this morning told foreign correspondents in Tokyo that the mediation situation is extremely critical.

"We are unconcerned about 'war nerves,'" he said. "We are really preparing."

THE SPOKESMAN DENIED THAT AN ULTIMATUM HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE FRENCH, AND ALSO DENIED A REPORT THAT NINE JAPANESE WARSHIPS HAD LEFT FOR SAIGON. — REUTER.

LEND AND LEASE BATTLE

(By Stanley Carroll)

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

More than a dozen Senators battled over the Lend and Lease Bill yesterday as the opposition claimed increasing strength and Administration leaders tried to close the debate on Saturday and begin consideration of 25 amendments on Monday.

First highlight of the session was when Senator Danaher charged that Mr. Wendell Willkie, at a private dinner in New York preceding his nomination as presidential candidate, pledged an all-out aid to Britain policy "and even guaranteed that Britain could not lose," to obtain influential backing.

Second highlight was when Senator Tydings demanded that supporters of the Bill answer their opponents' declarations that the measure would permit the President to give Britain a large part of the United States Navy.

Next, Senator Burton K. Wheeler predicted that if the Bill was enacted, the President would order United States convoys for American shipments to Britain. — International News Service.

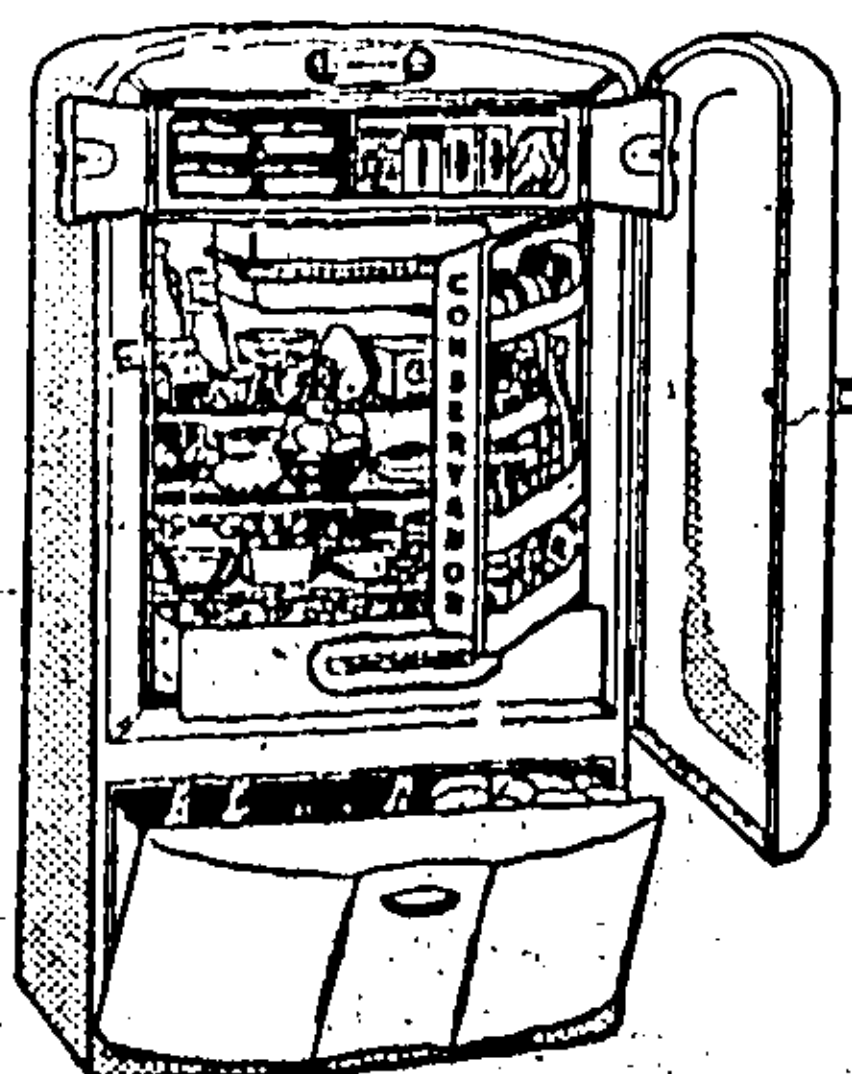
STARTLING JAPANESE REPORT

TWENTY THOUSAND REGULAR CHUNGKING TROOPS HAVE MOVED INTO BURMA RECENTLY, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE BRITISH DEFENCE THERE, SAYS THE SEMI-OFFICIAL JAPANESE AGENCY MENTIONING "AUTHORITATIVE REPORTS."

There is a lack of confirmation of the report from other sources.

It is understood that the arrival of Chungking troops in Burma was carried out in accordance with a secret Anglo-Chinese military alliance concluded in Chungking last month, says the Japanese report. — Reuter.

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TURKEY GREET'S MR. EDEN

"The Turkish nation most respectfully salutes the Commonwealth of British Nations in the person of its two very distinguished representatives," declared the Turkish newspaper "Ulus" yesterday in a warm tribute quoted by Ankara radio.

The sincere reception accorded Mr. Eden and General Dill, adds the paper, is a friendly manifestation of the affection and confidence the Turkish nation feels towards Britain, who has been the most influential factor in the destinies of Turkey.

Mr. Eden is described as a statesman likely to play an important role in the history of the British Empire and is known to be an old and warm exponent of Anglo-Turkish friendship.

The paper concludes that the Turkish nation earnestly hopes that its guests' stay in Ankara will be a happy one and that their contacts there will be fruitful for the good of the two nations. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S BOEING CLIPPERS

Five experienced British Overseas Airways pilots have arrived in New York to take delivery of a number of Boeing Clipper flyingboats, it was learned in London yesterday.

They will fly the Clippers to England, thus allowing Overseas Airways to fulfil the promise by Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, that Britain would resume the Atlantic service in the summer.

The new Clippers weigh about 40 tons and carry over 5,000 gallons of petrol. — Reuter.

Huge War Supplies Captured

FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE REMARKABLE NATURE OF THE ADVANCE WHICH LED TO THE OCCUPATION OF MOGADISCIO, CAPITAL OF ITALIAN SOMALILAND, WAS GIVEN IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN NAIROBI YESTERDAY.

The communique says "During the night of Tuesday and Wednesday, our East and West African troops entered Mogadiscio without opposition.

"Owing to darkness, the defeat of the enemy on the line of the Juba, the speed of our advance and the hurried evacuation, the town has suffered little damage.

"It has been impossible up to now to assess the number of prisoners and materials captured and many Europeans and Askanis are still surrendering.

"This achievement was made possible by the cooperation of all three services and the vigorous action of all the forces employed.

"Its greatness will be appreciated when it is realised that during the period of February 12 to February 25, starting from advance bases already at the end of lines of communication 220 miles long, fighting formations have advanced in face of opposition over a single track road a distance of 570 miles.

"In addition a major water obstacle has been crossed—a line which the Italians apparently thought was impregnable in face of opposition." — Reuter.

R.A.F. Support

The support the Air Force is giving the offensive on all fronts in Italian East Africa is emphasised in an R.A.F. communique in Cairo.

The communique says that stores and troops concentrations and supply dumps were attacked in the Keren area with good effect.

At Assab, bombs were dropped on a large transport yard while near Massawa ammunition stores and other military objectives were raided.

The railway bridge at Awash, near Addis Ababa, was attacked and a direct hit damaged the bridge and track. — Reuter.

ELECTRIC LORRIES FOR NAZIS

A factory for the manufacture of one-ton electrically driven lorries has been opened in Copenhagen. It is a case of "necessity being the mother of invention" for the lack of benzine for fuel has made it necessary to revert to other means.

The new lorry will be able to travel a distance of 50 miles at a speed of 27 miles per hour. The chassis of the lorry has been constructed so as to give the four wheels equal weight to carry. The tires are the same as those used on private cars.

SOMEBODY IS BOILING

After a heavy raid on a Midlands city recently a gang of Pioneer Corps men went to clear up the debris and salvage stock in a wellknown hotel.

Smothered with dust, they occasionally asked for a bucket of hot water to wash themselves.

The commanding officer of the Corps has now received a bill from the hotel manager: "To twelve gallons of hot water—2s. 6d."

CLOSING NET ROUND KEREN

Relemit, about 30 miles north of Keren, has been occupied by British troops without meeting any opposition.

Nakfa, abandoned by the enemy, has also been occupied. — Reuter.

CASTEL ORITZO CAPTURE

The occupation of the island of Castel Oritzo in the Eastern Mediterranean, by British forces is hailed with enthusiasm by the Greeks, according to the Athens Radio.

The newspaper "Estia" refers to Castel Oritzo as the first Dodecanese island to see sunlight and freedom and adds: "In order to realise what Fascist tyranny meant it is for Castel Oritzo to remember that of the 12,000 inhabitants of unmixed Greek blood, barely 1,800 now remain on the island. The rest have been driven into exile.

"Whole communities of fugitives from Castel Oritzo now exist in Greece, America, Australia and France." — Reuter.

JOHN WINANT FLYING TO ENGLAND

Mr. John G. Winant, new American Ambassador to Britain, left by Clipper for Lisbon yesterday en route to London.

In the statement made before leaving, Mr. Winant said that he and President Roosevelt were in agreement on the policy of material aid to Britain, and he would do his best to carry through that policy.

Whatever is done must depend on whatever the American people make it possible to do in the weeks and months ahead.

"We all know what England is doing and we recognise the gallantry, sacrifice and unity of her people under the leadership of Mr. Winston Churchill," he declared. — Reuter.

FLASHLIGHTS IN BLACK-OUT

Arrested during the "black-out" exercise last night for flashing inefficiently obscured flashlights and striking matches in the open, 69 Chinese were fined at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The fines imposed ranged from \$5 to \$10.

EMERGENCY BILL GOES TO SENATE

The emergency Bill to provide US\$1,533,000,000 for Army and Navy construction and development programmes was yesterday passed by the House of Representatives and has been sent to the Senate. — Reuter.

Wild Fights In Holland

Reports of "wild and bloody fights" between Jews and Dutch Nazis in Amsterdam — placed this week under martial law by the Germans — have reached "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The newspaper states that in the Jewish district of Amsterdam there have been fights as a result of uniformed Dutch Nazi Storm Troopers marching through the quarter.

There was widespread fighting on February 12, when parties of young men attacked marching Nazis.

Civilians and policemen were injured and one Nazi was found dead on the pavement.

The police then isolated a large part of the town to prevent further demonstrations.

The newspaper adds that Jewish leaders addressed Jews in the town, exhorting them to show calm and dignity whatever the provocation. — Reuter.

MIDDLESEX MAN ON GRAVE CHARGE

A SOLDIER OF THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT, THOMAS JOHN MILROY, AGED 24, AND TWO CHINESE, WERE CHARGED WITH DEMANDING MONEY WITH MENACES, BEFORE MAJOR A. N. MACFADYEN AT THE KOWLOON MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING.

The soldier and the two Chinese, Tsang Wing-fuk, 45, and Lo Lai-tong, 21, were remanded one week in custody.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman who opposed bail for the accused, said two of the alleged offences were committed on February 7, and the other during last night's black-out.

He added that because two offences were committed during the black-out, the case might be for committal. He was still awaiting instructions.

KILLED IN ACTION—CITED BY BROTHER

On the grounds of his wife's adultery with his brother, who had died in action since the proceedings began, Leslie Vaughan Richards, a munition worker, of Cropton Street, Warwick, was granted a decree nisi at Birmingham Assizes.

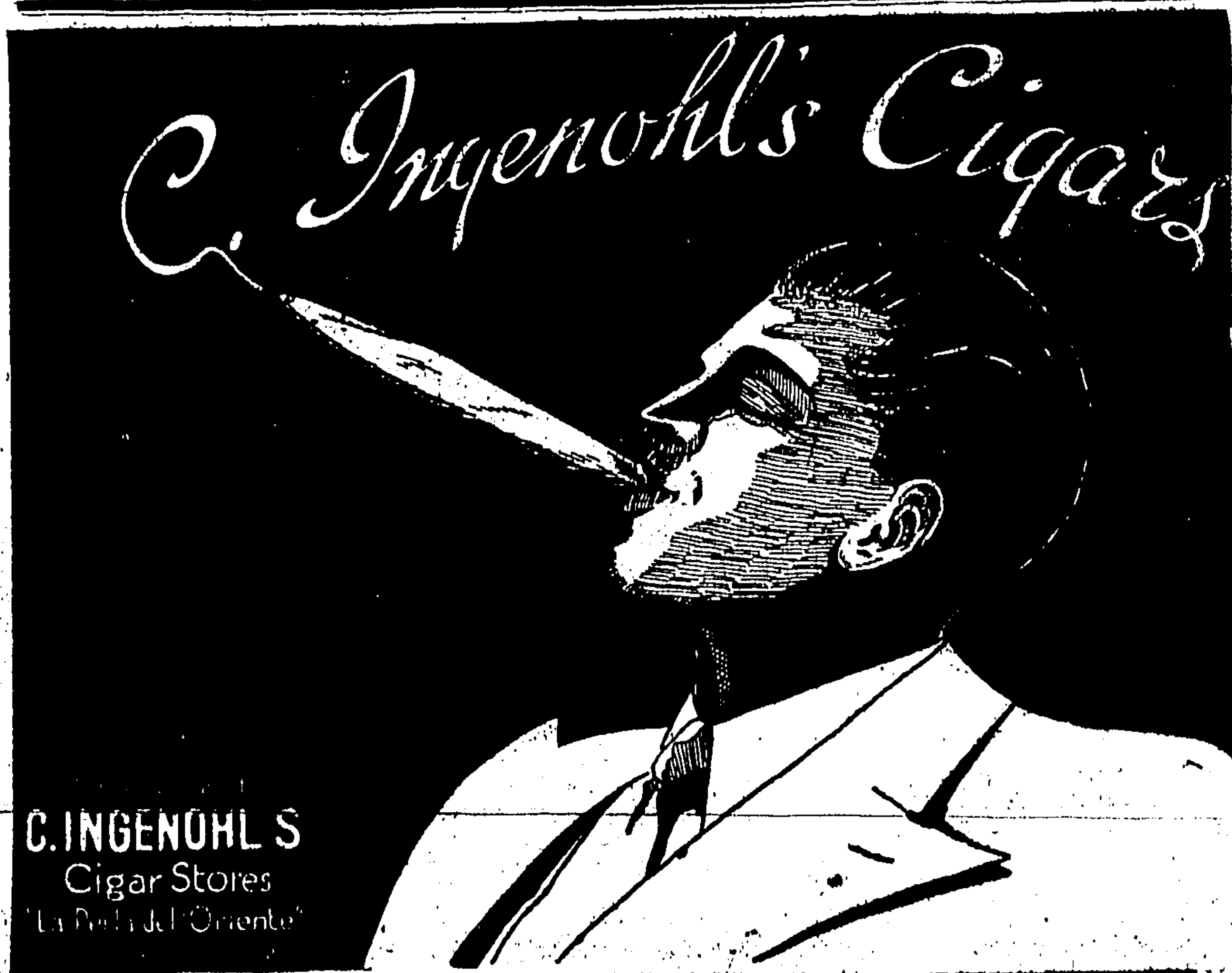
"SPECIAL" KEPT 10s. NOTE

Sentence of a month's hard labour was passed at Bromley, Kent on Special-Constable Albert William Potter, who admitted keeping a 10s. note handed to him by a school-girl who had found it in the street.

SWEDISH GUNS FIRE ON NAZI PLANE

A two-engined German bomber Swedish island of Shaakenoon yesterday, according to an official announcement in Stockholm.

The bomber was driven off by anti-aircraft fire. — Reuter.



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Prime Minister Reminds Commons There Is A War On

Artillery Duels In Albania

Bad weather is still holding up large-scale operations on the Albanian battle-front, states a Greek Press Ministry communique in Athens yesterday.

Greek artillery, however, continued to pound enemy positions with marked success and much damage by shells bursting in Italian trenches was registered.

At one point an Italian column received direct hits and suffered heavy losses. The Greek Air Force continued to drop bombs on military targets, store dumps, columns on the march and motor-transport concentrations. — Reuter.

QUISLING VIOLENCE

A fresh example of Quislingite violence towards Norwegian school-children, was reported yesterday by the Norwegian News Agency.

According to the Swedish newspaper "Social Demokraten," a detachment of Quisling storm troopers forced their way into a school at Sken and demanded to be taken to a class in which were several boys whom they alleged had maltreated a member of the Quisling Youth Guard.

The leader of the storm troopers jumped on the teacher's desk and ordered four boys to follow him to an outhouse where the boys were stripped naked and beaten with leather straps.

The school managers and staff have sent a strongly worded protest to the Ministry of Church and Education. — Reuter.

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"TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" CONTROVERSY

SOME CONTROVERSY WAS AROUSED IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY WHEN THE HOUSE DEBATED THE "TWO JOBS FOR MEMBERS" BILL, OFFICIALLY STYLED THE COMMONS DISQUALIFICATION (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) BILL.

The Bill was originally introduced to legalise Mr. Malcolm Macdonald's appointment as High Commissioner for Canada while he retained his seat as a Member of Parliament.

Government insisted on treating the division as a vote of confidence but eventually the Commons gave the Bill a unanimous reading.

The Bill only lasts for one year and in the interim a Select Committee will seek to clarify the whole position of Members of Parliament who accept offices of profit.

It was the first time since he formed his administration that Mr. Churchill had asked the Commons for a vote of confidence, and he received it without even the formality of a division.

There's A War On

Mr. Churchill told the House that the debate on the Bill would be treated as a vote of confidence in the Government.

After stating that the whole question of appointments would be considered by a Select Committee, the Prime Minister added: "Meanwhile let us get on with the war because, though one might hardly think it, there is a war on, in which our lives and liberties and even wider causes are hanging in the balance." — Reuter.

History of Principle

The Attorney-General, moving the second reading, reviewed the history of the principle dating from the reign of Queen Anne which laid down that a member holding an office of profit under the Crown should submit himself to his constituents for re-election, and detailed anomalies and contradictions which subsequent Acts of Parliament created.

He stated the Bill was a war time measure and announced that a proposal for the creation of a Select Committee to consider the whole subject and reduce the situation to an order suited to modern times would be accepted by Government.

The Prime Minister, in the course of a speech supporting the Bill, said no fundamental constitutional principles were at stake and that Government must be given unfettered discretion to select the best men for vital work. Any suggestion that Government would abuse the powers for which it asked must be treated as a question of confidence in Government.

Raising Status

He concluded his speech by saying: "It is the policy of this Government to raise and sustain the personal status of Members of Parliament in every possible manner. It is my deliberate policy as Leader of the House of Commons to do so and we shall always be careful, as I have been of the safety and dignity of the House."

I am sure that after this war is over this institution which we cherish and serve will have gained by having in its ranks large numbers of members who played an important part in the great days through which we shall have passed and have their share in winning the victory, the fruits of which we and other Parliaments will then enjoy." — British Wireless.

ENGLAND CAN WIN

Mr. Warren Irvin, foreign affairs expert of the National Broadcasting Company, said on arrival in New York yesterday: "There is no doubt that England can win the war."

"The morale all over England is excellent—all over Germany it is not so good, because only about 20 per cent. of the people there are rabidly pro-Nazi."

Mr. Irvin listed as "vital" German weaknesses the condition of Germany's food, clothing, oil supplies and transport services. — Reuter.

INDIA'S LOSSES

The Government spokesman in the Indian Assembly yesterday stated that Muslims killed in different battles in and around Egypt and in other encounters from June, 1939 to December, 1940, numbered 22 and non-Muslims 52. — Reuter.

VIBRO PILING DIVIDEND

The Directors of the Vibro Piling Co., Ltd., have recommended a dividend of 50 cents per share in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1940.

TRIPLE MURDER MYSTERY

The corpses of three young Chinese women, with their hands and feet bound with grass rope, were found floating in the harbour off West Point yesterday afternoon.

The bodies were removed to the Public Mortuary by the Water Police.

BURMA PILOTS

The first batch of acting pilot officers to complete training in the Burma Volunteer Air Unit course left for India yesterday for more advanced training, says a communique issued in Rangoon. Another complement of pilot officers is under training in Burma. — Reuter.

The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund now tops the £2,000,000 mark, says Reuter from New Delhi.

AIR FORCE SUPPORT OF GREEKS

Highly successful attacks on the Albanian villages of Luzati, south-east of Tepelini, and Fieri, were made on Wednesday during R.A.F. operations supporting the Greek army, says a communique issued yesterday by headquarters of the British forces in Greece.

Direct hits were scored on a concentration of motor vehicles near Luzati and on military camps at Fieri, where several large fires were started.

At Fieri, swooping low, aircraft machine-gunned military headquarters and other targets.

British planes intercepted a convoy of cargo ships and a gunboat two miles off Valona and successfully machine-gunned them.

All the British planes returned safely. — Reuter.

FRONTIER ACTION

After a successful action against North Waziristan malcontents their leader has fled and is now reported to have realised his error and is contemplating settling with the Government. — Reuter.

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GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR QUICKER SHIP TURNABOUT

AN APPEAL TO DOCKERS to "help us beat Hitler" was made by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, announcing in London yesterday a new scheme for dock labour on Merseyside which will improve and speed up working conditions.

Mr. Bevin said that transport has now become a key factor and the organisation of transport would determine the duration of this struggle.

"We are aiming," he said, "at a 40 per cent quicker turn round of ships and clearances at ports."
"I want to appeal to my friends, the dockers, to help us beat Hitler."
Mr. Bevin added that the Merseyside scheme will start on March 10 and will be applied later to Clyde ports, and continued: "We must secure a quicker turn round and a bigger output if we are to cope not merely with the attack that is being made now but with the attack with which we are threatened in a very short time."—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA AND RUMANIA

Australia has severed trading relations with Rumania, which has been declared enemy territory, according to an announcement in Canberra yesterday.
This is in conformity with the recent extension of the British blockade to Rumania. —Reuter.

NO DELAY TO BE COUNTENANCED AT WHITE HOUSE

"In order that we shall not be guilty of a minute's more delay than can be prevented when Congress passes the Lease and Lend Bill, President Roosevelt will continue his series of conferences with the chiefs of the War, Navy, State and Treasury departments."

The President's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, made this statement yesterday and added that much work remained to be done in getting the Administration to handle the aid to Britain programme.—Reuter.

AXIS IN OPERATION IN ECONOMIC FIELD

THE WORKING OF THE AXIS in the economic field is revealed in a despatch yesterday from Rome quoted by the German news agency.

The despatch states that in accordance with the Italo-German economic agreement, which regulates from time to time clearing payments for the current year, Italo-German commercial exchanges are expected to reach a total of about 1,000,000,000 reichsmarks in both directions.

Guiding principle in the negotiations has been to satisfy all requirements essential to war economic demands in which the combined demands of the Axis are regarded as one unit.

The whole of Italy's coal requirements, amounting to about 12,000,000 tons last year, will be completely covered by Germany.
Germany's deliveries of iron and

steel to Italy will be more than doubled.

Italy will increase shipments of agricultural raw products as well as sulphur and mercury to Germany.

A special agreement also provides for the sending to Germany of a further 205,000 Italian workmen, mainly metal workers, making the total of Italian workmen in Germany in the current year 315,000.—Reuter.

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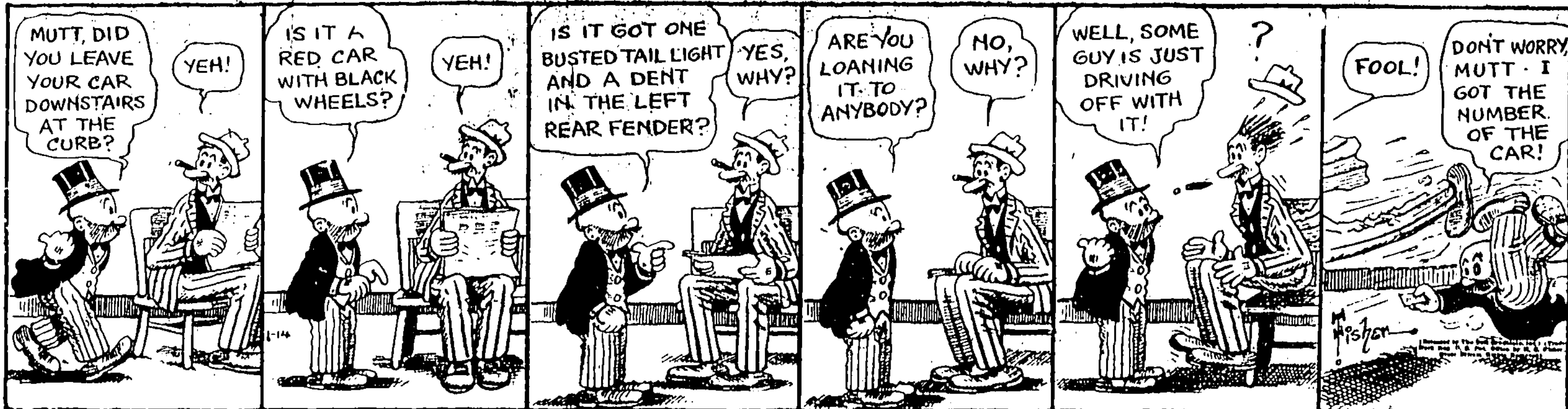
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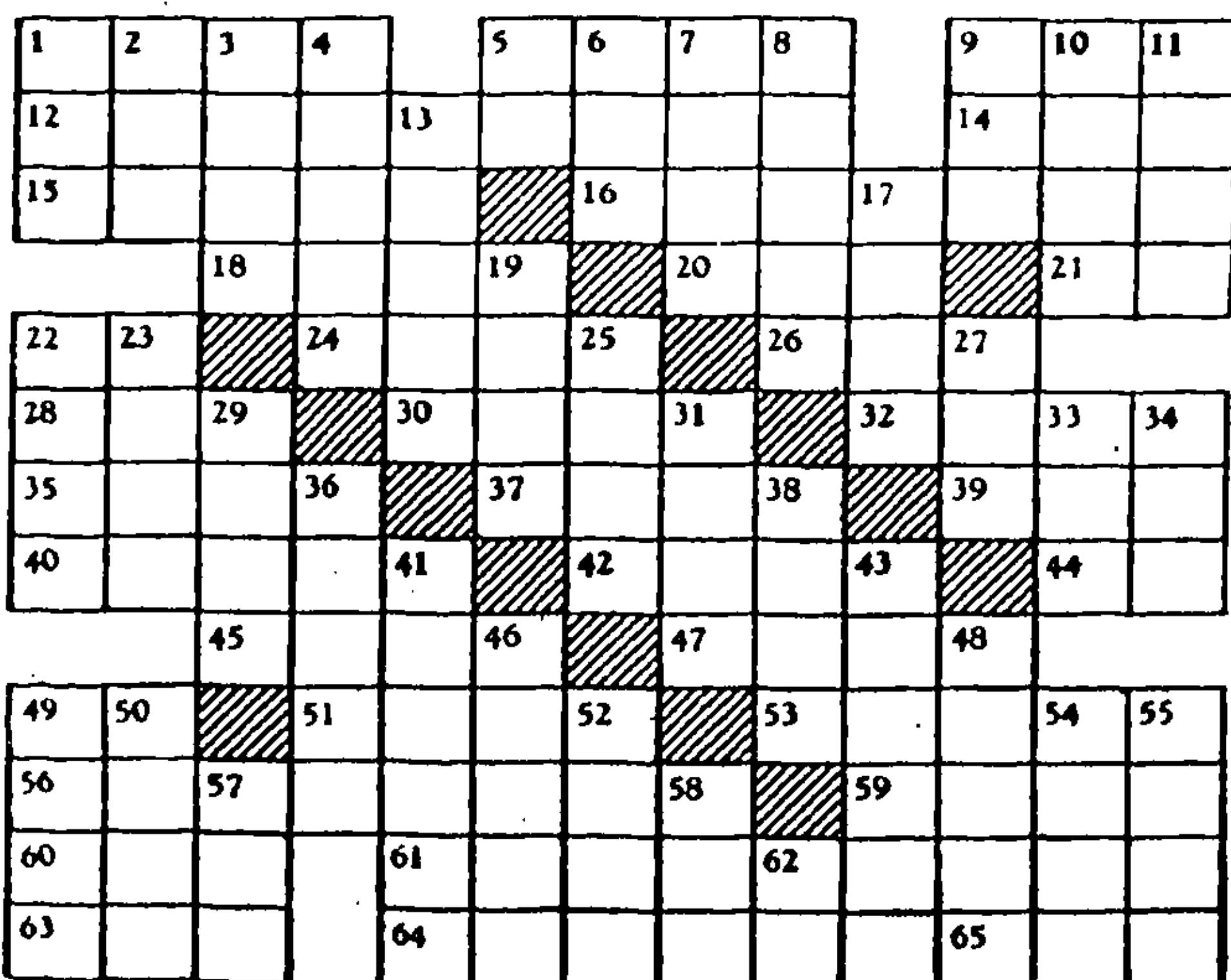


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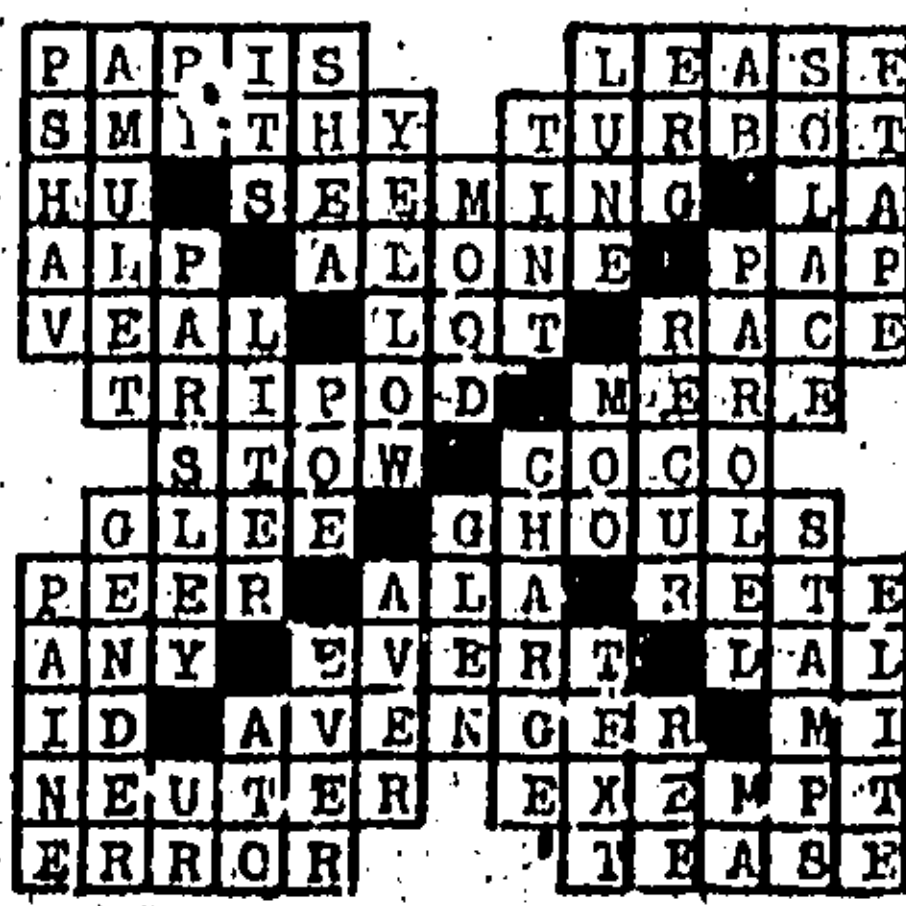
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Gem
- 5 Eskimo settlement
- 9 Very young fish
- 12 Capability of multiplying sounds
- 14 Ethiopian title
- 15 Metric measure
- 16 Former European coin
- 19 Writhing
- 20 Card game
- 21 Teutonic deity
- 22 By
- 24 To burn
- 26 Bank
- 28 Limb
- 30 Man's name
- 32 To pass, the time idly
- 35 Festive
- 37 Variety of headless cabbage
- 39 Conflict
- 40 Spanish friend
- 42 Loose earth
- 44 Pronoun
- 45 To reveal
- 47 Wrong
- 49 Symbol for silver

VERTICAL

- 1 Goddess of the harvest
- 2 Container
- 3 To the sheltered side
- 4 Stringed instruments
- 5 Beg pardon?
- 6 To surpass
- 7 Dye plant
- 8 Chinese tea
- 9 Back

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



MASS NAZI RAID ON MALTA

A big German air attack on Malta was made on Wednesday, according to an official Cairo communique, which says that a considerable force of enemy aircraft attempted a large-scale attack.

Forty German bombers, escorted by nearly as many fighters, attacked the aerodrome at Luga and some damage was caused to R.A.F. property, but there were no casualties to R.A.F. personnel. British fighters, although greatly outnumbered, attacked the enemy and two Junkers 87's were shot down and a number of others probably destroyed.

Italians Not Yet Told

It was pointed out in official circles in London yesterday that Italians have not yet been told of the heavy defeat in the fall of Mogadiscio.

Official comment on the description in the Italian communique of the Malta attack points out that it makes no reference to the facts given in the Malta communique that the attackers lost two planes to British fighters and five to A.A. fire, while six were so badly damaged that they probably did not reach their bases.—Reuter

ALASKA DEFENCE TIGHTENED

Three additional United States Air Corps have just gone to Alaska and three more are scheduled to go there within two months.

This announcement was made by the Secretary of War, Mr. Henry Stimson, in Washington yesterday.

He added that the U.S. Army's experiments with parachute troops had been so successful that the strength of this wing was to be increased fourfold.—Reuter.

K. R. A. MEETING

The annual meeting of members of the Kowloon Residents' Association takes place this evening at St. Andrew's Church Hall, commencing at 6 p.m.

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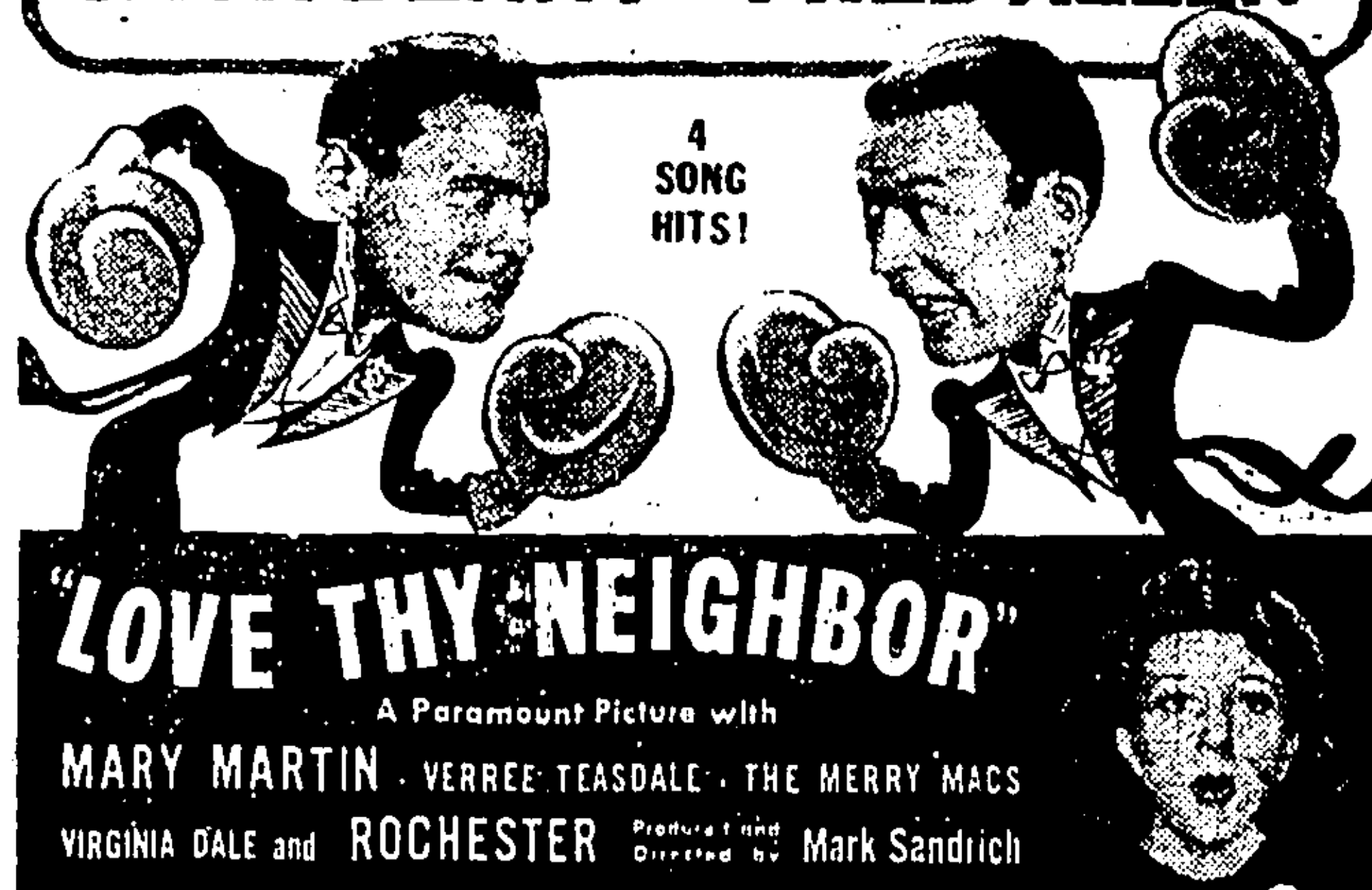
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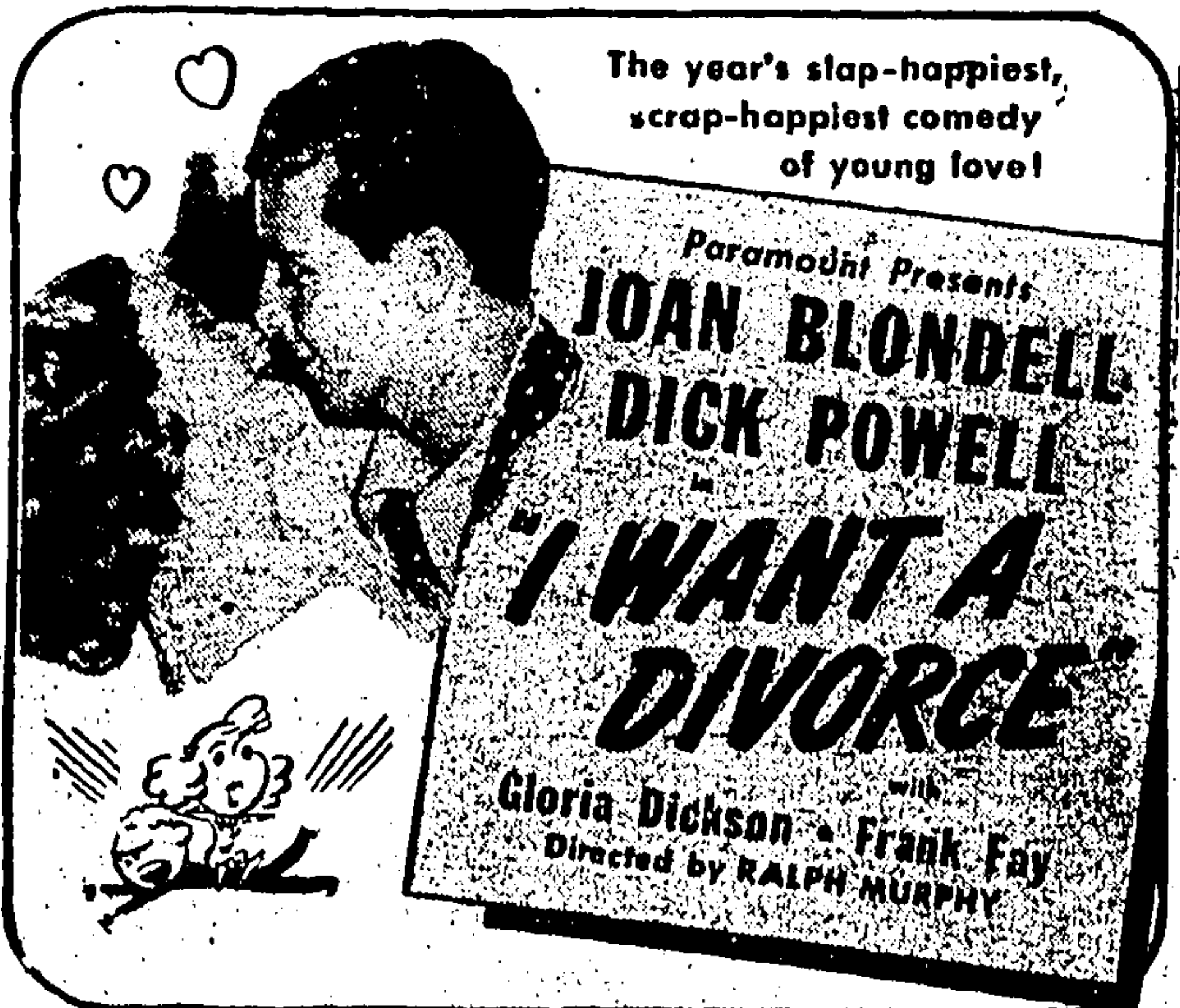


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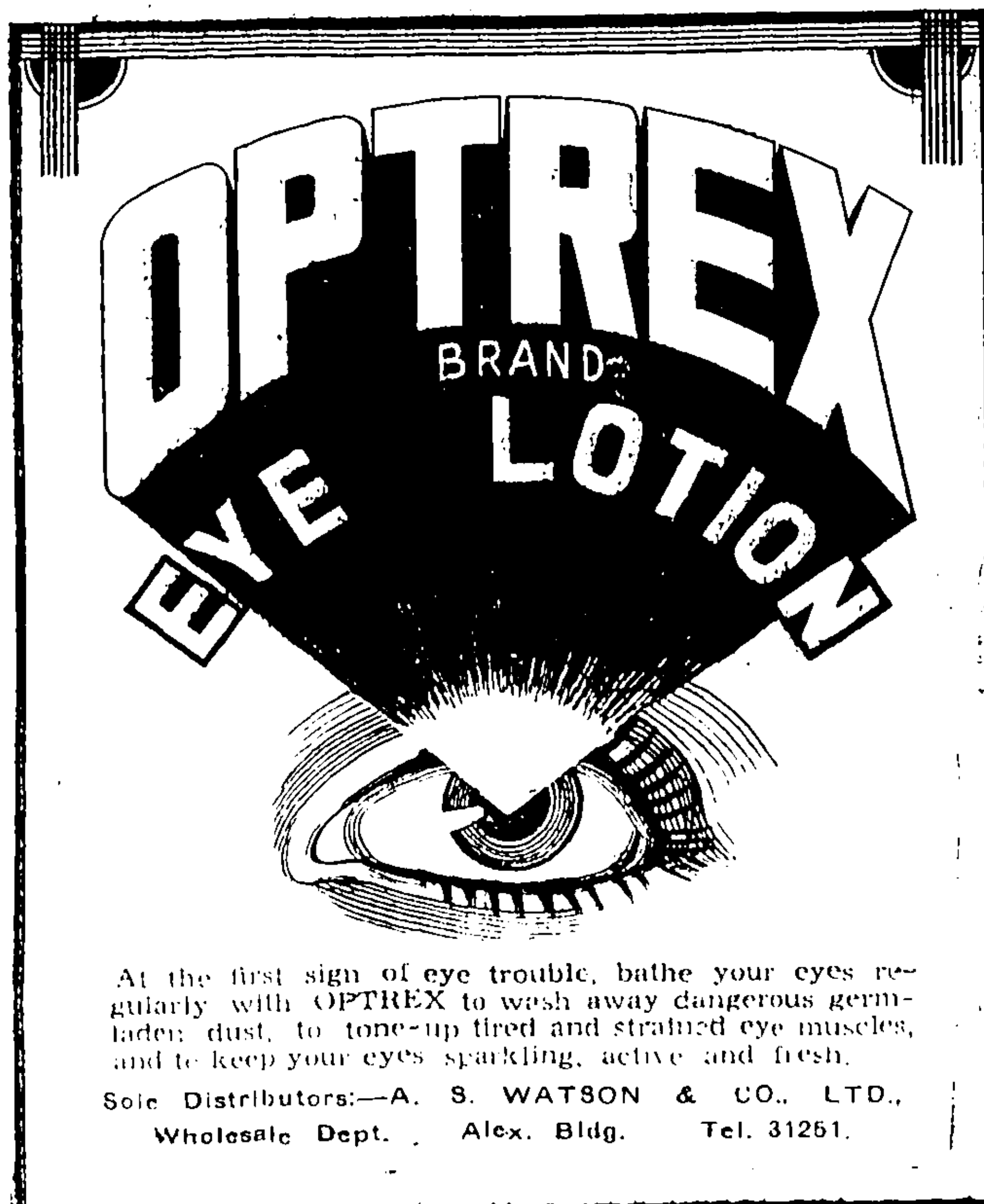
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CLOUD-DODGING DAYLIGHT RAIDERS OVER BRITAIN

CLOUD-DODGING German air-raiders were more numerous and busier over Britain during daylight yesterday than for some time.

Bombs were dropped in the outskirts of London and at a number of places in East Anglia and there were a small number of casualties.

EVACUEES REACH AUSTRALIA

British women evacuees from Thailand arrived at Sydney by air yesterday.

They stated that 100 more women and children are shortly coming to Australia.

—Reuter.

STAR FERRY MEETING

INCREASED COSTS OF OPERATION WERE STATED TO BE THE CAUSE OF THE DECREASE IN NET EARNINGS OF THE STAR FERRY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY, OVER WHICH THE HON. MR. J. J. PATTERSON PRESIDED THIS MORNING.

Traffic earnings, said the Chairman, were down by \$9,645.83 or 1.117% as compared with 1939. This was largely due to the drop in first-class 10 cts. fares, which decreased by \$25,272.90, mainly attributable to the number of women and children evacuated from the Colony. In all other passenger traffic there was an increase.

The fall in earnings was negligible, but expenses increased by \$90,506.55, or 25% over the previous year, almost entirely due to the increased cost of coal and oil, the coal bill being 69.3% above that for 1939.

During the year the 5-minute service was extended over a further one hour and twenty minutes daily, and additional late ferries were put on the run from 1.30 a.m. to 3.30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. These extensions came into effect on the 11th April, 1940, and have increased the consumption of coal by about 440 tons over the year. These ferries however have been well patronised, showing that their introduction to meet a need of the travelling public was justified. The cost of coal during the year averaged \$38.27 per ton. We have been able to fix a contract for the year 1941 at \$40.81 per ton which of course will result in a further rise in working expenses, as coal accounts for approximately 50% of our total working expenses.

Pier Leases

For some years past the Chairman at our annual meetings has made reference to the Pier Leases which are due to expire in 1949. The matter is receiving the closest attention of your Board of Directors, and we hope soon to be able to obtain some definite news as a result of Sir David Owen's recent visit to the Colony and his study of the question of Pier Leases and the future of the Port of Hong Kong. I trust his report to Government will result in expediting a definite statement of policy and thus enable us to plan for the future.

The Company's fleet is in first-class condition but some of the ferries have been running for a considerable time; their ages are as follows:—

"Golden Star"	18 years
"Meridian Star"	16 "
"Solar Star"	15 "
"Night Star"	15 "
"Northern Star"	13 "
"Electric Star"	8 "

One raider, after dive-bombing an East Coast town, machine-gunned children going to school but all escaped.

SEVERAL CHILDREN WERE KILLED BY BOMBS DROPPED ON ONE EAST ANGLIAN TOWN AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT AT LEAST TWO GERMAN RAIDERS WERE DESTROYED.

One Heinkel bomber, approaching small units of the British Navy in the North Sea yesterday morning, was hotly engaged and it is considered certain that the machine was unable to reach its base, the Admiralty announced.

ANOTHER BOMBER, IT IS BELIEVED, FELL INTO THE SEA AFTER A BATTLE WITH A BRITISH FIGHTER. — REUTER.

SHUFFLE IN N. CHINA

MAJOR-GENERAL MORIOKA, HEAD OF THE CHINA AFFAIRS BOARD IN PEIPING, IS RELINQUISHING HIS POST ON PROMOTION. HIS SUCCESSOR HAS NOT YET BEEN NOMINATED.

It is strongly rumoured in Chinese circles that Wang I-tang, head of the North China Political Affairs Commission, will resign, and it is also believed that the former head, Wang Keh-min, will resume that post. — Reuter.

THE ST. CYR OF FREE FRANCE

A military college, which is destined to become the St. Cyr of Free France in Africa, has been opened at Brazzaville by General de Larnat, High Commissioner of Free French Africa, according to Free French circles in London.

The college at present houses 125 cadets, most of whom escaped from France to join General de Gaulle.

The college is called Camp Colonna Dornado. — Reuter.

16 CASUALTIES IN AIR CRASH

Casualties in the crash of the Eastern Airlines plane in Georgia are now given as seven killed and nine injured, says a Reuter message from Atlanta.

Among the dead is Representative William Pryor, Democratic Congressman from Maryland. — Reuter.

DR. CURRIE'S FAITH IN DESTINY OF CHINA

"I LEAVE WITH my faith in the greatness of China's destiny confirmed," declared Mr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's envoy, upon his departure by air from Chungking for Hong Kong en route to Washington.

In a statement to the press he says: "I wish it were possible, on leaving Chungking, to express adequately my gratitude for the warm hospitality which has been accorded me and Mr. Emile Dupres (member of the mission).

"Government departments have been cooperative in furnishing information. This has made our task relatively easy.

"I want to convey my thanks, through the press, to the many people in Government offices who worked hard to make this cooperation effective.

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS LEAVES FOR ISTANBUL

According to a Moscow despatch to the official German news agency, Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, when he left the Soviet capital by plane yesterday for Istanbul, was accompanied by Mr. John Russell, of the British Embassy, and Squadron-Leader Charlton Allamell, British Air Attache. — Reuter.

DANGEROUS DRUGS

Leung Ju-tong, 42, manager of the Asia Hospital Supplies Shop, No. 199, Johnston Road, was fined \$250 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, for selling poison on February 13.

Defendant sold a packet of streptocide tablets and a packet of Aminobergen Sulfamido Pyranine tablets to a soldier.

Mr. A. W. Brown pleaded guilty on behalf of accused, and stated that his client did not realise the seriousness of the offence. His client bought the tablets from Macao and had no intention of selling them.

Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin told the Court that the tablets had to be taken under a physician's instructions. If the tablets were taken in a wrong way, then might keep a man in hospital for three months.

JAPANESE ARMY "BRAIN'S TRUST"

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Reports from Shanghai reaching the United States state that the Tokyo Government has set up a Military Brain Trust composed of Staff Officers from Formosa and South China under the leadership of Major-General Majima.

It is also reported, despite denials from Tokyo, that German military officers are working in conjunction with the Japanese army in Canton, Hainan Island and in Formosa. — International News Service.

INDIA ENTHUSES

The brilliant British sweeps in Africa have sent a wave of enthusiasm through the tribal area on the North-West Frontier, where the victories of the Imperial forces are being widely discussed. — Reuter.

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THE ANSWERS

The American newspapers have presented a demand by Senators Nye and Wheeler for a statement of peace aims as a tactical move against the Lease and Lend Bill.

It is assumed that the Senators do not expect that all nations now at war will provide either a full statement of their reasons for going to war or a blueprint of the kind of peace they hope to see. There is value in a sincere effort to define as clearly as possible future peace purposes—if it be first recognised that peace must be won.

Most Americans we believe would agree with this statement of the situation:

The only reason why peace cannot be made to-morrow is that the German Government have as yet given no evidence whatever of their readiness to repair the damage they have wrought upon their weaker neighbours, or of their capacity to convince the world that any pledge they may subscribe to is worth as much as the paper on which it may be written.

If the isolationist Senators really want a statement of British war aims in fairly definite terms they could find it in the same speech, by the member of the British War Cabinet who has just arrived as Ambassador to the United States:

We must insist upon the restoration of liberty to small nations that Germany has cruelly deprived of it, and, profiting I hope by experience of the past, we shall do our utmost to secure Europe from a repetition of this disaster. We seek nothing for ourselves. We have said publicly that if we could once again feel security that a German Government would respect its undertakings and honestly cooperate in trying to build, instead of destroy, European peace on terms of live-and-let-live for all nations, we would not seek a vindictive peace or one that would deny to Germany her rightful place among the nations.

When Senator Wheeler recently outlined somewhat similar terms, the Berlin press rejected them.

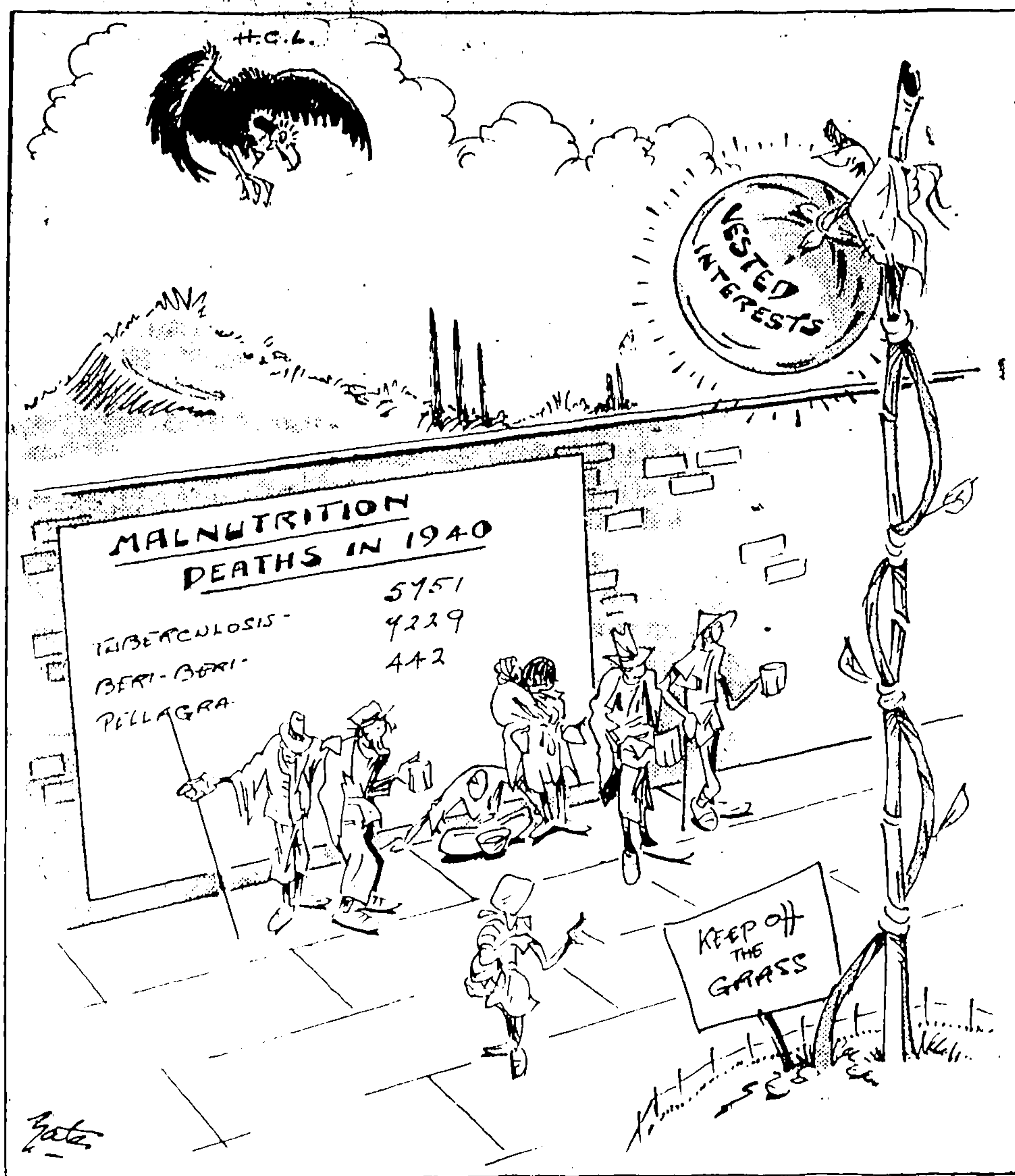
The fundamental difficulty is that the Nazi regime can offer no real basis of security for the nations of Europe—or for those further afield.

The reason that nations chiefly interested in a firm peace support, in some degree, Britain's stand against Nazi anarchy is presented in another speech by Viscount Halifax:

There are things to-day within our body politic which we need to fight not less intensely, if with other weapons, than we fight the enemy without. But the broad record of the British race, stands to be judged on facts that are incontestable. It is the fact that during the nineteenth century, when the power of this country was unchallenged, there was no nation in Europe that felt for that reason insecure, or that did not recognise our power to be an instrument of peace.

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WHO MENTIONED VULTURES?

Rash Conclusion

There is a tendency in England to feel that the sympathy of the whole of the United States is with us in our struggle, that with the exception of a negligible minority that great country is with us up to the edge of war. This is—as anyone listening in to Mr. Alistair Cooke's recent broadcast would realise—a very rash assumption.

It is difficult enough for us here, living in the immediacy which life holds for us now—days, to keep at the same level of keenness. How much more must this be the case with people who are only with us emotionally and sympathetically, and who have around them the daily proof that life is good and sweet and easy, that nature's abundance is yet theirs, that their country is inviolate?

We are fortunate that so many of the intellectual leaders of the United States either work for the William Allen White Committee or are moved by it. William Allen White is, as most Englishmen know and as all should know, one of the most important pro-British Americans. He organised what is now known as the White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. William Allen White has stressed throughout his firm belief that the United States' first line of defence is Britain, and hence that Britain is fighting for the United States.

In New York Robert Sherwood, the famous playwright, that tall flame of a man, has been fighting for us with his pen as ardently as he fought, though a Yankee, in a Canadian regiment in the last war. John Balderston, the writer,

behind peace talk is another statement by Lord Halifax:

When we think and speak of peace, what do we really mean? We naturally tend to think of it as something negative—not war—and for that reason to be something worthy of all we can do for its preservation. But just as I can imagine individuals confronted by a situation which Christian men and women would feel was worse than death, so I can imagine circumstances for a nation or for human civilisation in which immunity from war could be too dearly purchased.

great-great-grandson of the woman who made the first American flag, has done work for the White Committee that should make his name, with that of Sherwood, ever remembered by us.

The fifty destroyers can be largely attributed to their efforts. Their work has not by any means been without difficulties and even dangers. Mr. Balderston at one time had to have a bodyguard, and the Isolationists, of whom there are many still in the Senate,

By F. Tennyson Jesse

have not hesitated to try to besmirch the reputation of certain members of the committee, notably that of John Balderston. What is known as a "smear campaign" has been extremely active.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, on September 26, 1940, declared that "a man by the name of Balderston, long a resident of Great Britain, putting out a William Allen White news service release

was trying to arouse public sentiment to bombard the President, bombard public officials, so as to override any technical objections of the General Staff of the Navy and the General Staff of the Army" to send to Great Britain weapons that "might be needed by the United States." Mr. Clark, of Missouri, was then joined by a Mr. Holt, of West Virginia, who remarked that Mr. Balderston was "brought back" to the States to create war propaganda, and that it was a known fact that John Balderston was not interested in preserving the United States but was directly under the British Ministry of Information.

Mr. Holt, in short, accused Mr. Balderston of a crime against the Federal Statutes.

John Balderston has never in his life been directly or indirectly under or connected with the British Ministry of Information or any other foreign Government agency.

Mr. Clark, of Missouri, full of sweet accord, replied that he had no information as to that, but that he was entirely prepared to believe the statement of the senator from West Virginia that Mr. Balderston was a British agent!

Senator Clark does all he can to help Germany by attempting to withhold essential supplies from Britain. He cannot and does not pretend to believe that the United States is in danger of attack by Great Britain. He is just one of those neutrals, of whom France, Holland, Belgium, and Norway have provided so many, to whom neutrality, instead of being sometimes admirable but always, by its nature, negative, becomes an active virtue.

Thus the "smear campaign" went on in the Senate. Mr. John Balderston having been accused of being a propaganda agent, senator after senator arose not to attack William Allen White personally, for he is too revered and elderly a figure in national politics to attack, but members of his group.

As a matter of fact the famous "Seven-point Programme" submitted to Mr. Allen White by his committee had obtained data for six of its seven points through American and not British sources. The "seven points" urged the delivery to Britain of a score of motor torpedo-boats, flying-boats (the Navy's heavy bombers), "flying fortresses"—the great long-range bombers; tanks, the use of airfields in the United States for training of pilots; 250,000 more Lee-Enfield rifles until something better could be got hold of, and seventh (and the one which agitated the senators most) the famous secret bomb sight.

All these requests, which were not put forth, by the way, by Mr. White, were not even put forward to him without the certain knowledge that each one of them had already been the subject of negotiation and in the belief that all or most of the requests would be granted either in whole or in part. The belief was American and not British belief, and was held by a great group of people in the United States, all of them American patriots.

Is it possible, one asks oneself, that even these "Copperheads" such as Senator Clark and his

Victuals In Our Time

It is perhaps natural that people with nothing to do but wait for the next meal should accept the aesthetic philosophy of the stout gentleman in the lounge who was heard to describe the sound of the dinner-bell as the sweetest music in the whole world. Idleness is a great begueter of gluttony, as one notices on sea voy-

By Ivor Brown

ages, where in good weather pondering the shape of edible things to come is a common form of preoccupation, naughtily stimulated in happier time by the lavishness of shipping companies.

The menus of luxury liners are really a Communist pamphlet.

The whole thing is fantastic. People who would be perfectly happy with the simplest supper at home must apparently have an eight-course dinner served with fanfares, flunkies, and carnival procedure when they are in mid-ocean.

One business of civilisation is surely to put food in its place. Our earliest ancestors, the food-gathering men, had to think a great deal about ways and means of getting nourishment. Their problem was acquisition. They had to live for food in order to live by it, just as many animals and birds have to work all day for their food supply.

Once food-growing had been invented as the supplement to food-gathering the problem was eased; the leisure thus gained might be misused in the arts of war, but it could be turned also to the arts of peace.

The Nile Valley started building, sculpture, and many decorative splendours when it solved the food problem. Because there was corn in Egypt there could also be civilisation.

Nowadays, in peace-time, supply of victuals is no trouble. Fair distribution is the problem that has so far baffled the meagre ingenuity and organising talent of economic man. We should be able, in decent conditions, to think just sufficiently about food and suffer no further worry. How much is that sufficiency? On this there will never be agreement. Man generally both indulges and mortifies the flesh, the duality of our nature running as often to the extremes of Stoic doctrine as to the gentler Epicurean creed. For my part, I believe that Chesterton usefully summed up the matter when he said that the logic of the fast is the feast, and vice versa. It is reasonable to stake within reason all normal desire, and the ascetic's glory in a total refusal is no more in nature than is the unceasing and calculating sensuality of the glutton.

A large part of the art of living is the avoidance of obsessions, and it is a dreadful thing to be obsessed about food. To go beyond a sensible interest in the niceties of the palate to a continual fussing about the next meal is usually to become a misery to oneself and a dreadful bore to others. What tedium equals that created by the constant chattering of the gourmet and of the prattler about vintages? Possibly only that inflicted on us by the person who in war-time is always thinking about rationing and discussing the state of the larder. The war has given us, along with the bomb-bores, the bacon-and-butter bores too. The stomach is a good thing in its place, but its place is certainly not "on the brain."

confreres imagine that anything given to the British now will ever be used by the British against the Americans? It is true that the Germans might capture some of these secret weapons, but that is a risk that has to be taken if Hitler is to be fought at all.

England must not underrate the power of the "Copperheads." They can at least hold up the engine just when its smooth and quick working is essential. But we must remember also that our friends of the White Committee are still fighting for us through "smear campaigns," innuendoes, and lies and realise that the delay is no fault of theirs.

As to the "Copperheads" themselves, we can wish them no worse than that in their old age they may be forced to read, with shame what has been recorded for ever upon the records of the Senate.



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GERMANS IN LIBYA ACTION

THE REPULSE OF ARMoured VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN, IS REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S CAIRO COMMUNIQUE, WHICH SAYS THAT IN LIBYA ADVANCED ELEMENTS OF BRITISH MECHANISED FORCES ENCOUNTERED WEST OF AGUILA AND DROVE BACK, A RECONNAISSANCE UNIT OF ARMoured FIGHTING VEHICLES, BELIEVED TO BE GERMAN.

In Eritrea, while the British forces continue activity to contain the main body of the enemy about Keren, further progress has been made by our columns advancing southwards from Cubcub.

In Italian Somaliland, the rapid and vigorous advance of South African forces from the line of the River Juba to the capture of Mogadiscio has evidently demoralised the enemy forces in the area.

They are offering themselves for surrender all along the large stretch of country which has been overrun.

Several thousands of prisoners have already been counted and many more continue to come in. In addition, large quantities of war material of all kinds have fallen into our hands.

Not the least satisfactory feature of this highly successful advance has been that we recovered 200 Allied seamen who had been held at Merca for many months by the Italians as prisoners of war. — *Reuter*.

TAMSHUI BATTLE

According to Chinese reports received last night, Chinese regulars are in the outskirts of Tamshui and a fierce battle with the Japanese forces is being waged.

KILLED BY A TIME BOMB

Several people were killed when a delayed action bomb exploded in a London district.

A police inspector died on the way to hospital and another man died in hospital from their injuries.

Two men, a woman, and two young children were taken to hospital.

The bomb had fallen at a garage behind a motor engineer's premises. Both were wrecked and houses and shops nearby damaged.

The occupants had been evacuated.

A.R.P. rescue squads were at work among the debris until dark but the search had to be discontinued before all the bodies had been recovered.

ANGLO-TURKISH TALKS

ACCORDING TO AGENCY MESSAGES THE ANKARA TALKS BETWEEN MR. EDEN AND MEMBERS OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT BEGAN YESTERDAY, WHILE GENERAL DILL ALSO BEGINS HIS TALKS WITH HIGH OFFICERS OF THE TURKISH ARMY.

The Turkish Premier gave a lunch in their honour yesterday and the British Ambassador gave a dinner party last evening.

Neither Mr. Eden nor General Dill have evening clothes with them and they were the only guests not in formal attire at the official dinner party given by the Turkish Foreign Minister. — *British Wireless*.

NO BLACK-OUT THIS EVENING

The "raiders passed" signal was sounded throughout the Colony at 11 a.m. to-day to inform the general public that the "black-out" exercise, which commenced at sunset on Wednesday, has been concluded.

NOW WE KNOW

The "Cleveland News" declares that Germany has more vital weaknesses than the world outside generally appreciates. — *Reuter*.

WOMEN USED AS "SHIELD"

Another day spent in these small Albanian villages convinces me more than ever of the justice of the Greek demands for more British aircraft.

Nine Italian bombers have just bombed this small village where I am writing, killing numbers of women and children. Since early morning there has been a series of Italian raids without fighting opposition.

A Greek officer in this village, his uniform still burned from a hand grenade, described to me how, before the Greek occupation, the Italians forced women and children in front of them, compelling Greeks to hold their artillery fire.

Looting Shops

In another village I talked to many inhabitants, who described the drunkenness of the Italian troops, who looted all the shops, stole silver crucifixes from the church, and thrashed old men when demanding the whereabouts of the village women.

These women spent days cowering in the surrounding woods awaiting the Greek reoccupation.

In such villages there are no sirens; the simple cry of "Aeroplane, aeroplane!" sends the people rushing to their tiny, ramshackle homes.

I have talked with Albanian prisoners, who told me they received drastic orders from the Italian High Command that on no account must they retreat, but they were hopelessly out-manoeuvred by the Greeks and forced to surrender. They were apparently delighted to do so.

9'6 ON TAP

A platoon of tired soldiers rested outside a boys' orphanage, and one asked an orphan lad for water.

The boy spoke to the superintendent, who sent out a pailful.

When the sergeant in charge returned the bucket he took a capful of coins—9s. 6d. "We felt we ought to pay you somehow," he said.

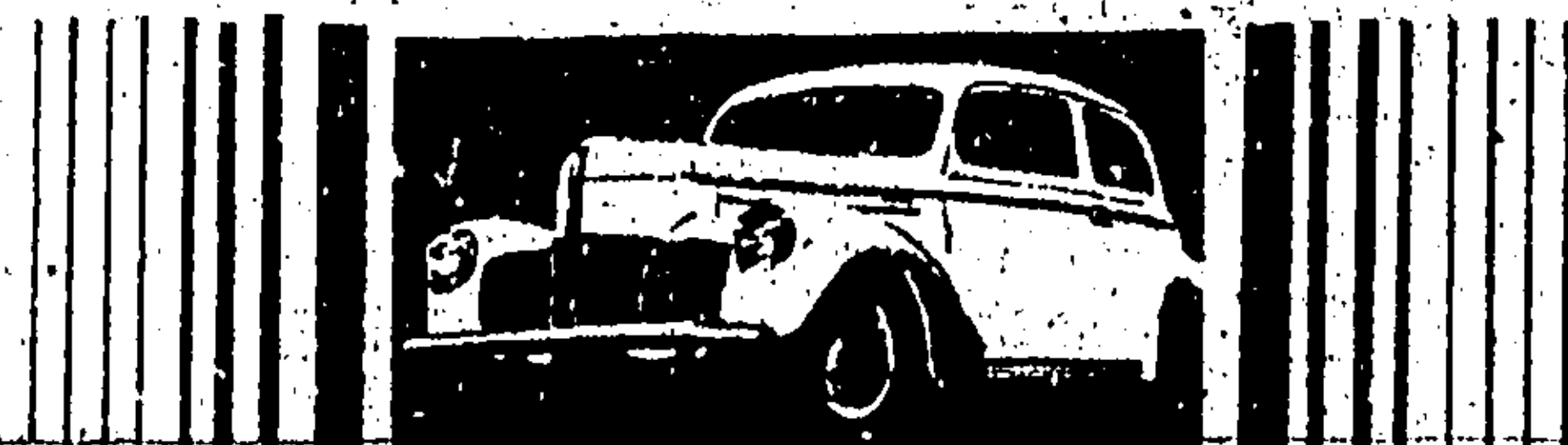
WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone of moderate intensity has developed rapidly over North China. Pressure is highest over Mongolia and remains relatively low over Indo-China. An elongated depression is moving north-eastward across Japan.

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BRITAIN'S NEED FOR FASTER FREIGHTERS

A COMPREHENSIVE review of British shipping problems was given by Lord Rotherwick (formerly Sir Herbert Cayzer), President of the Chamber of Shipping, at its Annual Meeting in London yesterday.

Lord Rotherwick urged the building of faster cargo liners. While appreciating that the need for maximum new tonnage had impelled Government to order large numbers of slow vessels, it was no use building such ships if their slow speed exposed them unduly to enemy attack.

Only after 18 months of war had Government turned their attention to the faster cargo liner type.

A fast ship, he claimed, could do two voyages for one of a slow ship, and would be less strain on the service of the already over-worked destroyers, as fast ships would not need convoying.

Lord Rotherwick advised a constant review of shipping to ensure that fast ships were not used on less dangerous services that slow ships could perform; this would reduce the time each ship spent in passing through danger areas; and cut to the minimum unavoidable delays under war conditions.

Every Day Counts

Every day counted for victory and precious days should not be lost handling cargo or in repairs or awaiting convoy.

There should be equal priority with the Army and Air Force in the supply of guns and machine-guns to merchantships to enable them to defend themselves against air attack.

Lord Rotherwick said ship owners should be able to purchase Government ships as a partial solution of replacement problems.

At present the only shipping being replaced was Government shipping and the only shipping building was Government building.

Nationalisation

The present policy would result in the bulk of tonnage being Government-owned if the war lasted a long time, and raised the issue of nationalisation.

To enable ship owners to plan ahead and remove the existing uncertainty in this regard, Government should frankly state whether nationalisation was their intention.—Reuter.

The Chairman of the Trades Union Congress General Council, Mr. George Gibson, was received by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday. — British Wireless.

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GERMANS' AIM OF INVASION

Reports and comments of various Spanish correspondents in Berlin indicate that the Germans are every day becoming more obsessed with the idea that the war cannot be decided unless Germany herself beats Britain.

The correspondent of the Tangier Falangist organ "Espana" says the Germans consider that the principal theatre of war is Britain's soil, and Hitler is determined to see that it is not shifted elsewhere.

The correspondent of the official Spanish Press agency grudgingly admits that "London will be able to take advantage of some good cards that have fallen into its hands," and adds: "The Fuehrer knows perfectly well that the real struggle lies between Britain and Germany, and will end only when the Germans have occupied London."

MUSSOLINI'S APOLOGIA

IN WHAT APPEARED to be an attempt to explain away the serious reverses recently suffered by Italy, Mussolini yesterday issued through the Stefani agency a long list of armaments which he sent to General Franco during the Spanish Civil War.

An accompanying statement by the diplomatic correspondent of the agency says: "The figures indicate how important was the contribution to Spain which, coming immediately after the powerful effort made in Ethiopia, doubtless struck a blow at Italy's war potential."

"These two big drafts on the strength of the armed forces were made while other nations were able, on the contrary, to devote all their means to preparing for war."

Explaining the reason for Italian intervention in the Spanish civil war, Stefani's diplomatic correspondent says that it was necessary "for reasons of national revolutionary and Mediterranean policy."

National and Mediterranean reasons made it necessary, he continued, to prevent Spain from becoming a military and naval

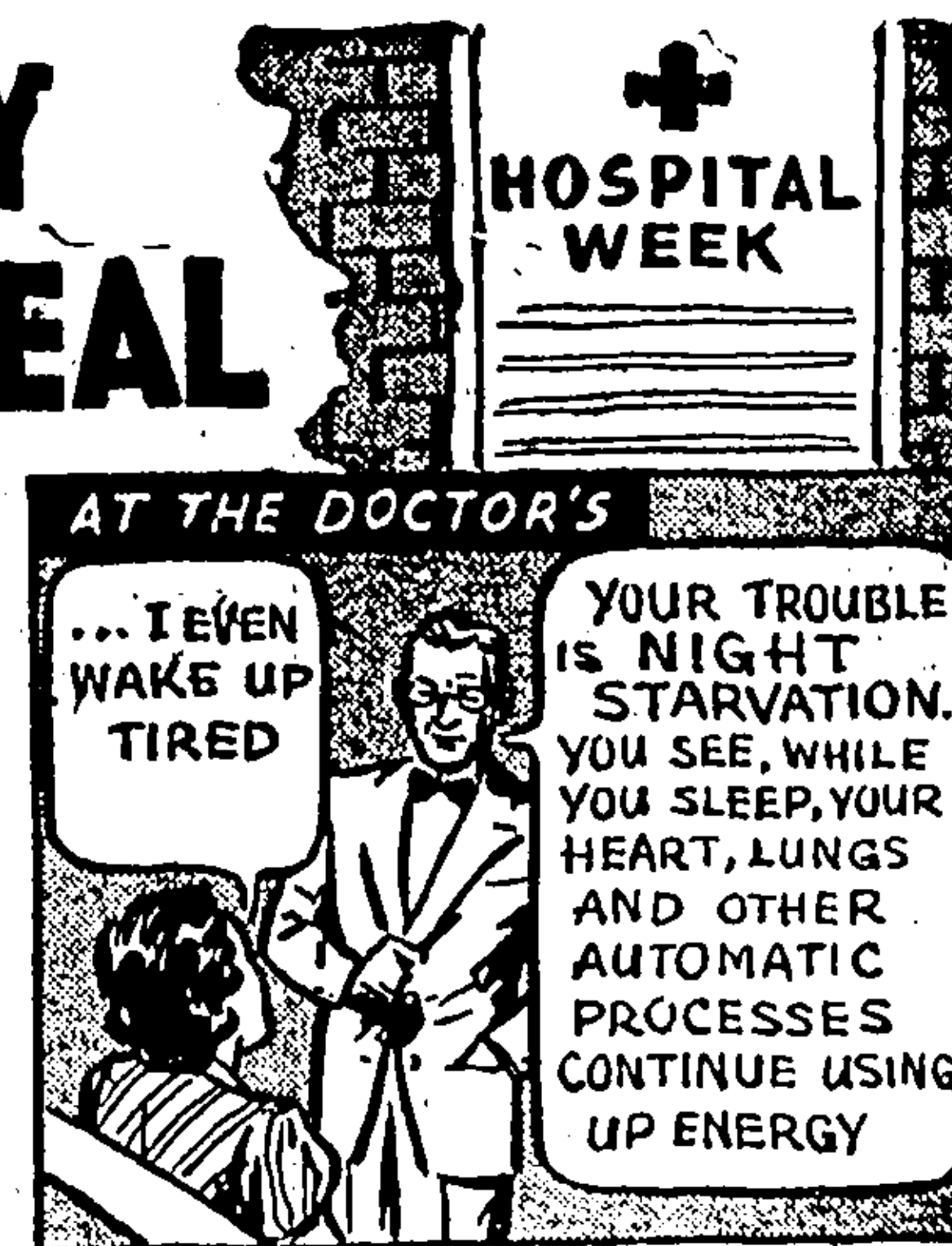
base for France and Britain against Italy while revolutionary reasons demanded Italian Fascist intervention for a system modelled on it. Reuter.

CONTROL IN CEYLON IMMIGRATION

Intitution of a passport and visa system, together with a system of permits, is envisaged in two bills coming up before the Ceylon State Council on March 4 aimed at controlling the immigration of non-Ceylonese.

Hitherto passports have not been required in the case of certain immigrants to Ceylon from India, Burma, the Federated Malay States and Straits Settlements.—Reuter.

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Hong Kong Refugee And Social Welfare Council

NOTICE

It has come to the knowledge of the Hong Kong Refugee and Social Welfare Council that a woman is collecting funds in the Causeway Bay District for St. Peter's Food Kitchen without the permission of the Council. The Council has no collectors of this kind.

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J. R. TAYLOR,
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By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1941.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Pui Shek, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4300.	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4297, Ping Street, Kau Pui Shek	N. S. E. W.	As per sale plan	About 2 1/2	\$38 \$2,367

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$237 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

FRIDAY, 28th February, 1941

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Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1941.

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TENNIS TOURNAMENT 1941

Entries close on SATURDAY, 1st March, 1941, at 6 p.m.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1941

Postponed to:—

THIRD DAY—

Monday, 24th February.

FOURTH DAY—

Tuesday, 25th February.

FIFTH DAY—

Saturday, 1st March.

On Monday, 24th and Tuesday, 25th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 1st March, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The fifth interval will be after the fifth race on the third and fourth days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day, including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th February, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY, the 3rd. March, 1941, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

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Hong Kong, 28th February, 1941.

BRIDGE NOTES

Crime Doesn't Pay!

No. 32

By The Four Aces

North and South were a trifle ambitious in their bidding, but the real Bridge crime took place during the play of the cards:

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ K 10 6	♥ A J 7 6
♦ K Q 9 3	♣ 2
♠ 10 5	♥ 8 4 2
♦ A 9 8	♣ A 6 2
♠ 10 5	♥ A K J 7
♦ Q J 8 3	♣

The bidding

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

West properly interpreted his partner's double as calling for the first suit bid by the dummy, so he opened the eight of hearts. The Queen was played from the dummy, and East refused to win but encouraged a continuation by playing the seven of hearts. South ran his four diamonds, discarding a low club from dummy, and then led a low club from his hand.

West put up the club King and returned the four of hearts; and East was able to take the Jack and Ace of hearts, after which he led still another heart. Dummy won with the heart King, but South could not win nine tricks without leading clubs again—and the moment East got in with the club Ace he cashed his last heart and thus set the contract.

Even a second-rate Bridge detective can see that the criminal must be South, but it takes a first-rater to spot the crime. See if you can do it before you read any further.

South's crime occurred at the very first trick! The double and the opening lead should have made it obvious that East had a long heart suit headed by both Ace and Jack, so nothing could be lost by playing one of dummy's low hearts at the first trick. East could take the Jack and Ace of hearts, but then could not both establish and cash the fifth heart.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ A 10 9 7 3
♥ A J 9
♦ Q 8 7
♣ A Q

The bidding:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Maler
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. Two spades would be an underbid, and three spades would exaggerate the strength of the suit. Two no-trump conceals the re-bidability of the spades but accurately describes your general strength.

Score 100% for two no-trump, 60% for three no-trump, 40% for three spades, 30% for three diamonds, 20% for two spades.

Question No. 651

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You	Jacoby	Schenken	Maler
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
(?)			

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)
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By ED REED



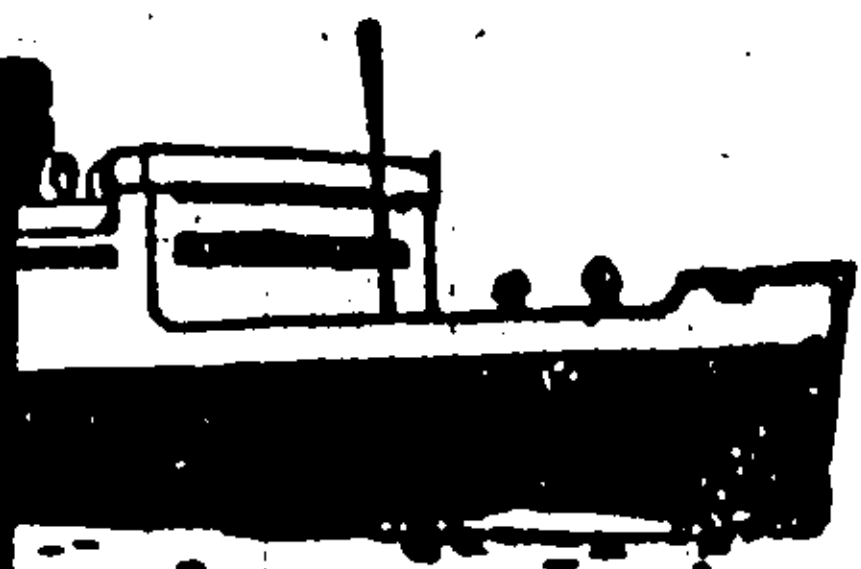
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PULSORY SERVICE TRIBUNAL
THIS MORNING.

The Tribunal comprised His
Honour Mr. Justice E. H. Wil-
liams (Chairman), Lieutenant-
Commander L. L. Tollemache,
R.N., Major R. E. Moody, Mr.
E. Davidson, Mr. C. Blaker, M.C.,
and Mr. C. Bramall Burgess (Se-
cretary to the Tribunal).

Mr. L. A. Calcraft expressed a
wish to be attached to units un-
dertaking minelaying and mine-
watching, and explained that he
had experience in this kind of
work, having formerly held a
commission in the army.

The Chairman pointed out that
he would make a note of this, and
added that should Mr. Calcraft
find difficulty in being accepted, he
would be assigned to the Essen-
tial Services Group.

Mr. A. J. W. Evans, of the Bri-
tish Cigarette Company, said he
desired to be assigned to the Key
Post Group since he was unable
to find time to attend parades. He
was posted to the Combatant
Group.

Mr. J. E. Mogra was assigned
to the Combatant Group, Mr. S.
Mason to the Group of Essential
Services, and Mr. S. Barber to the
Key Post Group.

INDIA'S AIR FORCE

Plans to speed up the
existing Government
scheme to train 300 pilots
and 2,000 ground staff for
the Indian Air Force Re-
serve come into effect on
March 3.

The plans involve the forma-
tion of a new elementary flying
school, while the establishment of
others is being actively consider-
ed.

In future recruits will pass
through four stages of training
before qualifying for the Fight-
ing Services. The civil aviation
authorities are cooperating in the
scheme.

Training centres for ground
staff are also being considerably
increased. — Reuter.

RADIO

1.03 p.m.—Variety with Drinking Songs.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announce- ments.
1.45 p.m.—Grieg—"S" ata in C Minor, Op. 45.
2.15 p.m.—Close down
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota- tions
6.32 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and The Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Newsletter by O. M. Green.
7.30 p.m.—Norman Allin (Bass-Bar- itone) and the Band of H.M. Cold- stream Guards.
8.03 p.m.—Humorous Variety.
8.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Theatreland".
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".
9.30 p.m.—Request Classical Pro- gramme.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"By the Way". Talk by Sidney Hornblow.
10.15 p.m.—Request Classical Pro- gramme continued.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Hilo &

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*Sakito Maru	Sunday,	16th Mar.
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NEW YORK via Japan & Panama

*Awata Maru	Friday,	28th Mar.
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila

Kasima Maru	Saturday,	22nd Mar.
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MADRAS

*Delagoa Maru	Monday,	3rd Mar.
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BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo

Anyo Maru	Sunday,	2nd Mar.
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RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

*Lima Maru	Thursday,	13th Mar.
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United Express Expected To Win To-Morrow's Main Event

Prospects For Last Day Of Annual Mtg.

By "Rapier"

THE 1941 ANNUAL RACE MEETING WILL BE CONCLUDED TOMORROW, THE LAST DAY, GENERALLY REGARDED AS AN OFF-DAY. THERE WILL BE NINE EVENTS ON THE PROGRAMME, MOST IMPORTANT BEING THE PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS, ENTRIES FOR WHICH WILL NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE RACE.

It will take some time for the track to recover from the rough treatment which it received during the last two days of racing, but the going should be somewhat firmer after the short rest.

RACE NO. 1. CAULFIELD STAKES:—ONE MILE

The opening race is confined to Australian ponies, griffins of this meeting with winners barred. Judging by performances during the current meeting, I should say that the following will be prominent:

Gay Fox (Mr. Poy),
King's Welcome (Mr. Black),
Oracle (Mr. Needa),
Prairie View (Mr. Pih).

I favour Oracle; it was due to bad luck in the Austral Hopeful Stakes that it lost to Colooma by a short head. Prairie View was third in the same race with Oracle and should do better over the shorter distance.

Gay Fox ran very well up to the Rock in the Austral Hopeful Stakes, but it then faded out of the picture. It will probably make amends to-morrow.

King's Welcome has been a disappointment so far but, given a firm track, it should reveal its true form.

I nominate Oracle to win with Prairie View second and Gay Fox third.

RACE NO. 2. FLEMINGTON PLATE:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to Australian Subscription ponies of 1941 that have not hitherto secured a win.

The following will probably be well up at the finish:—

A Surprising Time (Mr. Black),
Corsair (Mr. P. P. Botelho),
Optima Fide (Mr. Sokoloff),
Sydney Lady (Mr. Hearne).

A Surprising Time was third to Endeavour in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) over the mile, but as this pony is more of a sprinter, I cannot see it winning, although it will probably place again.

Corsair was third in the Warrego Plate and over the shorter distance I think its chances of winning are very bright, and Optima Fide, second to Maple Leaf in the Sandringham Plate, may do better over this distance.

Sydney Lady was second to Lex Fori in the Blue Mountains Plate (Second section) and should give Corsair a good fight for first place. My choice is Corsair for first place, with Sydney Lady second and A Surprising Time third.

RACE NO. 3. NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES:—FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN

China ponies, griffins of this meeting that have not won, will figure in this race. Looking over the entries, I cannot see anything to touch Charlesber, which was third to Velvetlight in the Tyro Stakes over the mile, while Sam's Choice (Mr. Black) should have little difficulty in securing second place, with Wonderful Scheme taking the third position.

RACE NO. 4. HAPPY VALLEY SPRING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This race is confined to "B" Class, China ponies, winners at this meeting barred. Over the same distance in the Gymkhana Handicap, Hughber (Mr. Chang)

ran quite well, but was beaten by Conquering Time and Eve of Reason which dead-headed for the first position by a short head.

The finish in this race should be fought out between Hughber and Hillsboro Bay (Mr. Needa) which came up too late to secure the fourth position. There is Johnber also to be reckoned with as this pony is good enough to redeem itself if ridden by Mr. Chao. This is the first leg of the "Daily Double."

RACE NO. 5. YARRA STAKES:—FROM THE 1½ MILE POST

There should not be much difficulty in picking out the winner of this race which is confined to Australian griffins of this season with winners barred. After its second placing behind Starlight in the Austral Grand Stand Stakes over this distance, I think that Nomine Poenae (Mr. Chao) should win, but Hascossay (Mr. Davis), which was third, should not be disregarded as it is also a fast-moving animal.

Misty View (Mr. Pih) should find no difficulty in getting the minor position.

RACE NO. 6. TAIPING HANDICAP:—ONE MILE

This is the second leg of the "Daily Double" and is confined to "C" Class, China ponies, with winners at this meeting barred.

With Gladiator, the winner of the Jockey Cup over the two mile post, out of the way, I should not be far wrong in nominating Potentate (Mr. Poy) to win this race. It will be recalled that this pony was leading on coming down the straight in the final run for home when it lost to Gladiator, a few yards from the winning post, by half a length.

There is Galveston Bay (Mr. Needa) to be reckoned with as this pony was third, losing by another

three lengths. Emergency Unit, if ridden by an experienced jockey, should also be there at the finish. However, I am inclined to back Potentate to win, with Galveston Bay second and Emergency Unit third.

RACE NO. 7. FLEMINGTON PLATE (SECOND SECTION):—ONE MILE

The second batch of Australian Subscription griffins of 1941 will try conclusions in this race, with winning ponies barred.

Mainsail (Mr. Yuen) put up a great show in the Blue Mountains Plate (First section) when it lost to Endeavour, and judging by its performance in that race, it should win. Bugle (Mr. Moller) will probably be placed again.

Vitamin M. (Mr. Black) has not shown us anything as yet. The best it has done was to come in third in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (Third section) over six furlongs. However, if the track is firmer to-morrow it might easily account for this race.

RACE NO. 8. PROFESSIONAL CUP AND AUSTRALIAN SUBSCRIPTION PONIES CHAMPIONS:—1¼ MILES

This is the main event of the afternoon and I expect to see the following starting:—
United Express (Mr. Ip Kul-ying):

Endeavour (Mr. Moller);
Jus Gentium (Mr. Sokoloff);
Black Seal (Mr. Noodt);
Manhattan (Mr. Hearne);
Dutch Treat (Mr. P. P. Botelho);
Never-Never (Mr. Black);
Santa-Anita (Mr. Liang).

United Express has three wins to its credit and judging from its run in the Rooty-Hill Derby, I must tip it to prove its superiority again.

Endeavour, the second pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, has im-

ATTACKING TIME LAME

Attacking Time, belonging to Neean and entered for the Taiping Handicap to-morrow, was found lame after its morning gallop to-day and Mr. K. I. Ip, the rider, dismounted near the seven furlongs post and led the pony back to the Paddock.

proved since its last run and should give a better account of itself although I cannot see it winning.

The shorter distance should be more to the liking of Manhattan, which I think will fight it out with Jus Gentium, the third pony in the Rooty-Hill Derby, for the third place.

RACE NO. 9. BENARBA HANDICAP:—TWO MILES

This is the last race of the day and is confined to "C" and "D" Classes Australian Subscription ponies.

There is nothing much to choose from in this race and I think Venus Bay (Mr. Needa) should win as it will be running against weak opposition.

The only danger here is Warrego River (Mr. Black) which is good over this distance.

Cheerful Star (Mr. Tao) should not find any difficulty in taking the third position.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM

Following have been selected to represent the Colony in the forthcoming hockey Interport with Macao on March 9:
V. M. Benwell (Club)
V. C. Bond (C.B.A.)
J. Goncalves (Recreio)
R. Marques (Recreio)
W. A. Reed (Nómada)
N. B. M. Whitley (C.B.A.)
Kaminder Singh (Khalsa)
Gurbachan Singh (Khalsa)
B. Gosano (Recreio)
H. L. Ozorio (Recreio)
W. Brown (Police)
Manager:—D. T. Smith.
Reserves:—A. E. P. Guest (Khalsa), E. Fowler (C.B.A.) and A. N. Alves (Recreio).

FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS

By "REFEREE"

Both Divisions of the Shield Competition are now in the Semi-Final stages and while it is difficult to forecast the winners in the Junior division it seems that the Senior title will be between South China and Eastern if they are not drawn against each other in the next round.

By far the best performance over the week end, was St. Joseph's victory over Sing Tao in the Shield Competition. St. Joseph's played hard, determined football and this upset the Sing Tao forwards but they will have to produce better form still, if they wish to advance still further in the competition.

Kwong Wah gave Eastern a good game in the Senior Shield and appear to have been unfortunate to lose by the odd goal in three. Kwong Wah showed great improvement, but were beaten by a brilliant forward line.

Royal Navy beat Royal Scots, but there was little difference in the score, a late goal giving the Sailors right of entry into the Semi-Final. Royals had several scoring opportunities but failed badly in the goalmouth. Husack, on the right wing, was always a source of danger but he lacked support.

Some thrilling games are promised in the Junior Division as all the surviving teams are almost of equal strength. Sing Tao and South China may be handicapped if the ground is heavy but Service Corps and Navy are able to extend them even on a dry ground.

The draw for the Semi-Final will take place at the Council meeting on Wednesday, March 12.

Volunteer camp has again resulted in the postponement of several games this week end. There are still a number of postponed games to be played but it seems that, in spite of these postponements, the season will finish as scheduled.

SIGNALS' HOCKEY WIN

At Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Corps of Signals defeated Royal Engineers in the Third Round of the Small Units Knock-out Hockey Competition, by the only goal scored by Husband.



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TAMAR'S NARROW CRICKET WIN

At King's Park yesterday, Tamar Cricket Club beat Diocesan Boys' School by 1 run in a friendly cricket match.

TAMAR C.C.	
Brown, c. Whitfield, b. Ebrahim	11
Wilson, lbw, b. Ebrahim	5
West, c. Lyson, b. Macauley	23
Horgan, b. Hulse	0
Hopkins, c. Hulse, b. Ebrahim	11
Sharp, c. Macauley, b. Hulse	6
Snell, lbw, b. Hulse	8
Barton, b. Hulse	0
Ramsey, c. Hulse, b. Macauley	0
Marie, b. Macauley	5
Metcalfe, not out	1
Extras (B8, W1)	9
Total	79

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hulse	10	2	28	4
Ebrahim	6	0	24	3
Macauley	4	0	18	3

D.B.S.	
J. Macauley, c. Hopkins, b. Barton	4
Whitfield, b. West	57
Hulse, c. Sharp, b. Morgan	0
Chintan, b. West	0
Ebrahim, c. and b. West	0
Jernakoff, b. West	0
Randall, b. West	1
W. Macauley, st. Hopkins, b. Morgan	3
Lyson, ht. wkt. b. Morgan	0
Rosset, st. Hopkins, b. Morgan	0
Read, not out	9
Extras (B8, W1)	9
Total	78

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
West	9	2	36	5
Barton	6	0	25	1
Horgan	2	5	0	4

Diocesan Juniors' Easy Win

In a friendly Cricket match at Prince Edward Road yesterday, Diocesan Boys' School second team trounced Ellis Kadoorie Indian School by 81 runs.

DIOCESAN BOYS' 2ND XI	
J. Ramsey, run out	14
W. R. Parker, c. Moosa, b. Hyder	1
W. Newbern, b. G. Singh	1
D. Dunn, b. Hyder	2
K. Prokopoff, b. Hyder	22



GOLF STARTING TIMES

Following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanning for Sunday

Old Course	
9.16 a.m.	G. E. Costello, B. D. Evans.
9.20	I. H. Geare, K. S. Morrison.
9.24	A. V. Greaves, I. H. C. Highet.
9.28	G. M. Park, F. A. Howard.
9.32	R. H. Challinor, J. B. Harrison.
9.36	A. W. Bourne, R. Young.
9.40	J. Harrop, J. Lanaker.
9.44	M. H. Turner, J. C. Taylor.
9.48	A. B. Purves, T. Megarty.
9.52	J. D. Clague, P. E. Annis.
9.56	H. M. Rowland, P. M. Cotton.
10.00	A. Mabb, R. L. S. Webb.
10.04	A. C. Meredith, J. Fleming.
10.08	S. T. Butlin, T. Low.
10.12	J. W. Clague, D. I. Bosanquet.
10.16	D. Lyon, H. A. Mills.
10.20	R. M. Wood, J. E. Richardson.
10.24	J. E. Potter, T. V. N. Fortescue.
10.28	A. C. I. Bowker, S. L. Lloyd.
10.32	E. Moller, J. A. Ritchie.
10.36	G. T. Lowry, Surg. Lt. Cdr. Page.
10.40	Major Giles, Major Penfold.
10.44	Capt. Campbell, Pay. Cdr. Burton.
New Course	
9.24	Miss Cuthbertson, J. G. Jensen.
9.28	Miss Boyd, Major Alley.
10.16	P. V. McLane, E. G. Price.
10.20	L. M. S. Lloyd, H. F. Phillips.
10.24	Brig. MacLeod, S. H. Dogwell.
10.32	H. J. Armstrong, Col. Matthews.
11.32	General Grasset, Major Meek.

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SWAYING - UPPER PART OF BODY MOVED TO RIGHT

SWAY

By BEST BALL

The initial difference between swaying and proper body turn is well illustrated by the examples above. In the lower figure, a definite sway has already taken place. The upper part of this player's body has already moved perceptibly to the right, so that both the shoulder and head position are considerably removed from the orthodox stance at address. In fact so flagrant is the error that the player appears to be pushing his body to the right with his left leg. The fact that the left ankle at this point is still unyielding and not flexed inward adds the element of tension to a stroke that has no definite centre and can only be brought back to the ball accurately by making the same amount of sway forward on the downstroke. In the upper figure an example of true body turn is portrayed, the head remaining in the same position it occupied at address and the body turning around easily beneath it.

Next Article:—Dragging The Clubhead.

CYCLONE SOFTBALL TEAM

The following will represent Cyclones Softball team in their League match against St. Joseph's on Sunday, at Kowloon F.C. at 1.30 p.m.:

A. R. Razack (Capt.), "Pinky" Pineda, Kelly Silva-Netto, A. K. Marker, Barney Abbas, A. A. Rumjahn, S. Bux, K. M. Rumjahn, Coffee Baker, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Abbas, and A. R. Marken.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

VALEDICTORY

WE regret to announce the departure of Captain A. W. F. Peal, of Middlesex Regiment, who left for home yesterday, and who for the past 14 months has carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary Army Association Football, Athletics, and Tug-of-war.

Whilst carrying out these duties he has improved the standard of these sports immensely, and has done a great deal in general for Army Sports.

He has particularly improved Army Football, and is the first Hon. Secretary for Football during the past four seasons to assist in selecting a winning Army side, which defeated the Chinese in the Semi-Final of the Lai Wah Cup.

He will be greatly missed by all who have come in contact with him, and we wish him every success in his new sphere of life, and wherever he is bound for, all ranks of the Garrison wish him "Bon Voyage."

CROSS COUNTRY

Last Monday, Combined Small Units challenged Middlesex Regt. to a cross country run, which resulted in a fine win for the latter.

The D.ehards did very well in this run, having seven men in the first ten home.

L/Cpl. Dunne, Middlesex, was the first home followed by L/Cpl. Heather, Middlesex and Cpl. Hobson, Middlesex third.

Middlesex are strong favourites for the Command Cross Country (British Hanks run) which is taking place on Tuesday, March 4, starting and finishing from the Hong Kong Polo ground.

SOCCER

TO-MORROW at Sookunpoo Middlesex and Royal Scots meet for their first division League encounter.

The former, who at present are playing well to form should have no difficulty in accounting for the Scots.

Royal Engineers and the Royal Army Service Corps, who are both fighting it out for the Second Division honours have both a difficult match this week-end, and neither can afford to make a slip.

Both have played the same number of games and the Engineers are three points in the lead. Service Corps, who have scored 90 goals in the League football this season, have only another six to score to equal the goal-scoring record.

Engineers have another 14 goals to get to equal this record. Both have six more games to play and anything is liable to happen.

Service Corps are still in the Junior Shield and it is rather hard to concentrate on both the Championship, and the Shield. The Engineers have nothing to worry about in the Shield as they were knocked-out in the last round.

There are now three players, who are running for first place in the goal scoring table.

Jennings, of Middlesex, Fox and Lee Wai Lam, of the Engineers, who have all scored 29 goals, are leading all the divisions. Hendy, Royal Navy, heads the First Division with 19 goals, and Brackenbury, Signals, heads the Third Division with N. Jones of the Engineers.



RUGBY

IN the seven-a-side rugby tournament held at the Club ground on Wednesday two Army teams were again successful.

8th Hvy. Regt., R.A. "A" team defeated Combined Small Units "A" by six points to nil, and Middlesex Regt. "B" defeated Club "B" by five points to three after having a five point lead at the interval.

At Sookunpoo on Tuesday two matches were played in the Large Units Rugby League.

Royal Scots drew with Combined Small Units, three points all, and Royal Engineers beat Middlesex Regt. eight points to three.

Engineers are still undefeated in the League, and the league table to date is as follows.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Royal Engineers	4	4	0	0	8
Royal Artillery	3	2	0	1	4
Royal Scots	3	1	1	1	3
Middlesex	4	1	0	3	2
Combined Small Units	4	0	1	3	1

Captain R. E. Guest of the Middlesex Regt. has taken over the duties of Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Area Sports Board, Hon. Secretary, Army Association Football, Athletics, and Cross Country.

BRITAIN DELIVERS

The GOODS

Drink BARCLAY'S BEER



Barbara Soong.

A fine exhibition of Duck Pin bowling was given on February 21, by Miss Barbara Soong, the 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. Elsie Soong. Barbara is following very closely in her mother's footsteps, and in the course of a year or so Mrs. Soong will probably have to take a back seat in this game, at least as far as her daughter is concerned.

Mrs. Soong is one of the best Lady Duck Pin bowlers in the Colony and holds the record for the Alleys both for Ladies and Gentlemen with a 108 made in March 1936.

Barbara Soong's feat, on Feb. 21, was as follows:

She played eleven games, her scores being 74, 76, 81, 77, 67, 80, 71, 61, 88, 62 and 73, giving an aggregate of 810 pins or an average of 73.7 pins per game.

Adult Duck Pin Bowling fans will agree that it is very difficult to average 70 to 80 pins for eleven games, and it is therefore all the more creditable that a "kiddie" of 10 should have done so well. With a bit of luck on her ninth game she might easily have made 100 pins.

Surprise Win

The third round of the Singles Handicap Competition is well under way. One match was played on February 14, and this resulted in a surprise win for N. D. Gardner (+50) over S. A. Ismail (-26) by 481 to 403.

Ismail was expected to win despite his heavy handicap, but he bowled much below his usual form. Gardner actually won the encounter without his handicap by nine pins, and would have

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "8TRIKE"

done better if he had not made a lowly 111 pins on his second game, after scoring 160 on his first first game, and 141 on his third game.

Closer Finish

A much closer match was played on the same day between C. M. Williams and Sig. W. Devlin of the Royal Corps of Signals. Both were plus 43, Williams winning by 31 pins, the scores being Williams 518 and Devlin 487.

Both players had one poor game each. Williams after putting up a good 195, and 190 on his first and second games, dropped to a poor 133 on his third.

Devlin who has been playing good Ten Pin bowls lately, and was expected to win, started off with a fair 162, then a poor 131, and finished strongly with a good 194.

On February 19, Sig. A. Cleggett (Royal Corps of Signals) met H. E. Waller. Cleggett was plus 26 and Waller plus 43, and the former managed to pull through by the extremely low margin of seven pins. The scores were Cleggett 454 and Waller 447.

Ernie Hearther, the veteran bowler, received a shock when he played Gm. Cooper on February 24. The match was also in

the third round of the Singles Handicap Competition, and although Cooper is known to be a hard fighter the consensus was that Hearther would win. However, Cooper won by no less than 102 pins, which included his handicap of plus 43. Hearther was plus 10 and, therefore had to concede the formidable margin of 99 pins for the three games. The scores were Cooper 568 and Hearther 466.

Tulsa's Win

There was a very interesting five-game Ten Pin match on February 20, between our old friends of the "Tulsa" and a team led by Ernie Hearther. Hearther's team were walloped by no less than 153 pins, the scores being Tulsa 3343 and Hearther's Team 3181.

Nichoff, for Tulsa, was the star bowler of the match. He bagged 950 or an average of exactly 190 pins per game, and for this he was presented with two books of tickets for twenty-five games, by the management of the Alleys. He also netted the highest individual score of the match, a brilliant 246 pins on his third game.

Ernie Hearther was second top scorer with 928. He also netted 220 on his fourth game. His performance during this match was

better than that against Cooper in the Singles Handicap Competition as I mentioned previously.

Peterson, for Tulsa, was third top scorer with 810. He also registered the second highest individual score of the match with 278 pins, which he made on his first game. His effort on this occasion was as follows:—commencing with a spare on his first frame, he then made a strike on his second frame, a spare on his third frame, a strike on his fourth frame. He failed on his fifth frame to make a nine, and then struck out with seven strikes in a row, on his sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and 10th frames and the two extra balls. It was a good effort indeed!

Engle, for Tulsa, also did his share in beating Hearther's team by putting up a very useful 812. He would have done much better had he not dropped down to a very poor 130 which he made on his fourth game.

Ross, for Tulsa, was called in at the last moment to complete the side. This was his first match game in these Alleys, and his 662 was not so good.

Had either Shanty Moore or Tony Borg been available for Tulsa there would have been a much bigger victory for the Tulsa. Waller and Williams for Ernie Hearther's team, did not seem at all comfortable. Waller's 719 or average of 144, while being quite fair was not good enough, while Williams bowled well below his usual form and made a 696 or an average of 139 pins per game.

BAXTER TOPS BATTING AVERAGES

Thanks to an innings of 74, not out, D. J. N. Anderson, of Kowloon Cricket Club, has jumped to top place in the League Cricket batting averages, his figures being 105.50. Incidentally, Anderson is the only man in the League to have scored more than 200 runs.

A. H. Madar, I.R.C., is second in the list with an average of 80, while young J. M. Gosano, the only other man to have topped the three-figure mark apart from Anderson, has an average of 57. Most successful bowler up-to-date is N. D. Lloyd (K.C.C.) whose 20 wickets cost him an average of a little over 9 runs apiece.

In the Second Division K. M. Baxter's average of 119.00 places him at the head of the table, while M. A. Wahab, thanks to two not-out innings, boasts an average of 82!

FIRST DIVISION

BATTING

(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	H.	Avg.
D. J. N. Anderson	4	2	211	74	105.50	
A. H. Madar	2	1	80	41	80.00	
A. J. Hulse	2	1	58	58	58.00	
J. M. Gosano	3	1	114	75	57.00	
L. T. Ride	3	1	96	66	48.00	
E. L. Gosano	3	1	95	81	47.50	
T. V. N. Fortescue	2	1	46	36	46.00	
G. N. Gosano	3	1	90	46	45.00	
L. G. Gosano	2	1	41	38	41.00	
A. R. H. Esmail	2	1	32	20	32.00	
A. R. Kitchell	2	0	57	45	28.50	
E. F. Fincher	2	0	48	47	24.00	
N. C. Sen Gupta	2	1	23	16	23.00	
J. E. Richardson	2	0	48	31	23.00	
A. H. Rumjahn	2	0	45	36	22.50	
F. J. Lay	3	0	65	34	21.67	
G. Souza	2	0	39	36	19.50	
D. Hung	4	0	75	34	18.75	
K. M. Rumjahn	2	0	33	17	16.50	
N. Singh	2	1	16	15	16.00	
K. Y. Tam	3	0	46	22	15.33	
N. A. E. Mackay	4	1	45	28	15.00	

BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
A. K. Ismail	9	1	0	31	7.44
G. N. Gosano	3	1	18	2	9.00
N. D. Lloyd	52	7	4	187	9.35
E. L. Gosano	26	3	71	7	10.14
P. M. N. da Silva	12	2	53	5	10.60
A. J. Hulse	10	1	41	3	13.67
F. R. Zimmer	44	6	136	9	15.11
A. R. Minu	27	1	155	9	17.22
W. S. Gegg	28	1	152	8	19.00

SECOND DIVISION

BATTING

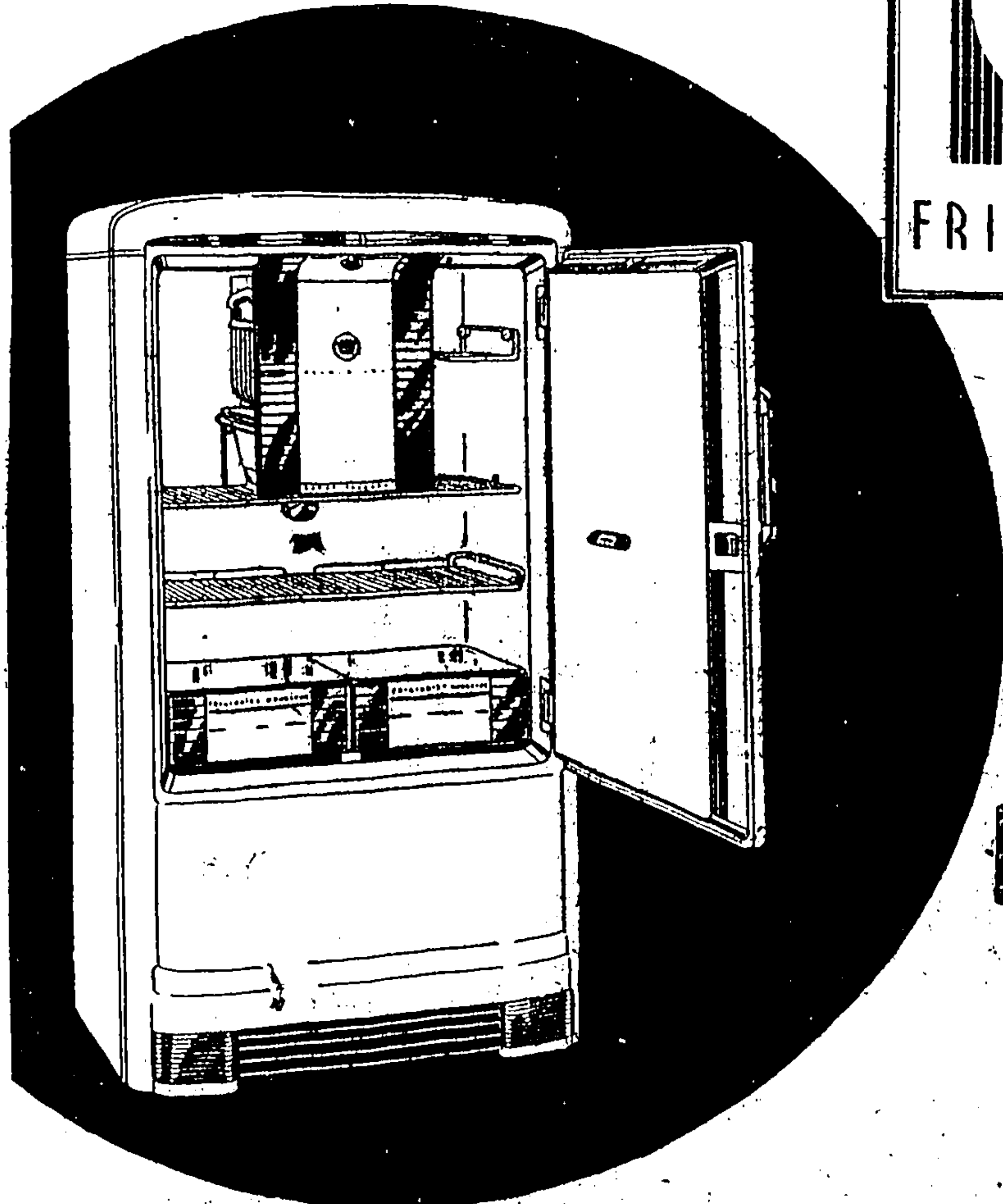
(Qualification, two inns., average of 15 or over)

	N.	O.	R.	S.	H.	Avg.
K. M. Baxter	4	2	238	103	119.00	
M. A. Wahab	3	2	82	31	82.00	
T. A. Madar	4	1	139	104	46.33	
A. B. Hamson	3	1	83	47	41.50	
C. Stone	3	1	78	78	39.00	
U. H. Esmail	3	2	38	23	38.00	
K. Lo	5	1	134	53	33.50	
R. S. Gill	3	1	54	36	27.00	
M. R. Abbas	4	0	107	69	26.75	
F. J. Remedios	4	1	79	50	26.33	
D. Chelliah	4	0	102	40	25.50	
J. Barrow	2	0	47	36	23.50	
U. M. Omar	2	0	46	25	23.00	
G. Ainelle	3	0	66	50	22.00	
M. A. Remedios	4	0	67	44	21.75	
W. L. Clark	2	0	43	39	21.50	
W. L. Rapley	3	0	59	25	19.67	
T. Ali	4	2	39	21	19.50	
A. E. Carey	4	0	76	26	19.00	
H. Tyler	4	0	75	41	18.75	
E. A. Lee	4	0	75	69	18.75	
H. T. Barma	3	0	50	19	16.67	
C. W. Lam	4	0	66	25	16.50	
A. R. Sufflad	4	0	60	25	15.00	

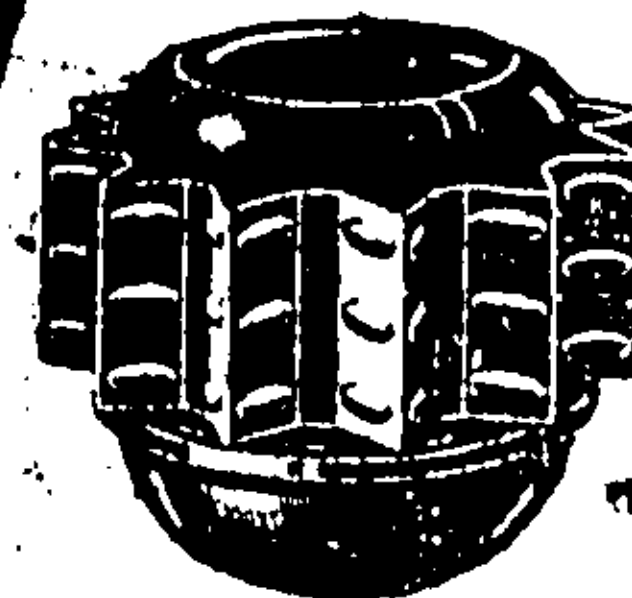
BOWLING

(Qualification, two matches, average of 20 and under)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
J. E. Taylor	7	2	16	4	4.00
R. J. Fenton	11	5	2	42	4.20
P. M. N. da Silva	31	8	80	17	4.70
M. A. Remedios	18	2	52	11	4.73
A. M. Omar	42	2	9	113	6.27
R. Baldwin	14	0	61	9	6.78
K. M. Baxter	8	1	35	5	7.00
G. Stone	15	1	56	8	8.25
U. H. Esmail	20	8	1	77	8.44
N. L. Smith	22	4	3	8	9.63
M. R. Abbas	35	3	0	169	9.70
R. S. Gill	19	4	78	8	9.76
M. Danbrowsky	18	2	123	10	12.30
W. K. Way	9	1	37	3	12.33
A. E. Carey	43	5	3	154	14.00
J. Ainelle	11	7	0	67	14.25
A. el Arculli	47	6	150	8	14.44
M. B. Hassan	4	0	20	1	20.00



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WASHINGTON AND FAR EAST TENSION

The United States Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, was to see both the new Japanese Ambassador, Admiral Nomura, and the Soviet Ambassador, M. Oumansky, in Washington yesterday afternoon, says Reuter.

INDUSTRIAL AREA OF COLOGNE BLASTED

(Continued from Page 1) Wednesday night's operations are now known to be safe. — Reuter.

Bang In Centre

One pilot said: "Just before we bombed I made an independent check of our position."

It was 9.50 p.m. when we dropped our first stick of high explosive bombs — that was an hour after we had arrived. By this time there were four huge fires bang in the centre of the target. The navigator and second pilot said they could see surrounding buildings lit up by the light of fires and those which were on fire were actually crumbling down.

All the time searchlights were sweeping round to pick us up.

NATIONALS ORDERED TO EVACUATE IN PRESSURE TACTICS

ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS from Tokyo the Japanese Consul-General yesterday summoned representatives of Japanese residents in Saigon and advised them to prepare to evacuate Indo-China at a moment's notice in view of the mounting tension over the Tokyo conference.

Japanese in Saigon, totalling 120, immediately started preparations to evacuate.

and at times it was difficult to get away from them. A.A. gun-fire were putting up heavy shells.

We also saw an enemy fighter just below us but he didn't see us.

Heaviest Bomb

Our first stick of bombs burst just to the side of four huge fires in the centre of the target and they started some more. Then we turned round, went away a bit and came back to drop our heaviest bomb.

After this had fallen there was a tremendous flash and a huge sheet of flame shot up high into the air. It seemed as though the whole area had suddenly caught alight.

Looking down we could see a square patch of red with tongues of flames spreading outward. The flames were so bright they lit up three of our own bombers in the sky.

My rear gunner, as soon as we had turned for home, kept calling me up on the inter-comm to tell me he could see more bombs going down and more fires starting. — British Wireless.

The notice is described in Tokyo as a "perfectly proper measure," in the event of the Tokyo mediation failing.

The French Ambassador to Japan is at present conferring with Matsuoaka and it is presumed he will be transmitting Vichy's reply to what is described in Japanese official quarters as Japan's "final proposals" for settlement of the border dispute with Thailand.

Semi-official Japanese reports reveal uncertainty "whether a satisfactory agreement can be reached."

THE WITHDRAWAL NOTICE FOLLOWS THE WARNING CHORUS IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS THREATENING DRAMATIC CONSEQUENCES SHOULD EITHER THAI OR THE FRENCH REJECT THE JAPANESE PROPOSALS.

Thai Ready To Accept ?

It is believed in Tokyo that the Thai delegates are ready to accept the territorial cession proposed by the Japanese but that the French have opposed any revision of the border from the outset.

Government officials declared in Tokyo yesterday that they were not nervous about the outcome and said that the orders to Japanese to withdraw from Indo-China was a perfectly proper measure in case of failure of the mediation effort.

Japanese Bases

The Japanese military forces, in preparation for the Southward expansion, have been most active in the vicinity of Hainan and Canton, according to the Chinese military spokesman in Chungking.

Declaring that the Japanese are using Hainan Island as the main base of the southward move, the spokesman said that the Japanese are strengthening the harbour fortifications there, particularly at Yulin harbour on the southern tip of the island.

The Japanese are also said to be establishing new supply depots and bases along the Kwangtung coast, including Bias Bay.

China's Interest

The defence of the Southern Pacific with Great Britain, the United States and the Dutch East Indies was emphasised in a special article in yesterday's Chinese official newspaper, the "Central Daily News," which declares: There are 10 million Chinese residing in the south-east whose lives and property are directly threatened by Japan's southward expansion.

"Therefore China must have discussions with the powers concerned with a view to joint defence in the Southern Pacific."

Decisive Stage

The conversations between France and Thailand have now entered a decisive stage, according to a Vichy report quoted by the Swiss radio yesterday.

The report says the French Ambassador in Tokyo had several interviews with Mr. Matsuoaka, while talks are proceeding almost daily at Vichy between the Japanese Charge d'Affaires and the French Foreign Ministry.

The report adds that the French Government has received a note containing Japanese pro-

posals which Thai would be prepared to accept.

According to Domei

"Smooth progress" in the economic conversations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies is indicated in a message from Batavia to the Domei agency.

Mr. Yutaka Ishizawa, consul-general, and Jonkheer van Hoogstraeten, head of the Dutch East Indies delegation, had another conference yesterday, it is added, while it is understood that they met on Wednesday for over three hours. — Reuter.

TWO CIGARETTES IN THE DARK

Three cases involving a breach of the Lighting Regulations on the island, were brought before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Two bus conductors were fined \$5 each, for failing to obscure the lighted end of their cigarettes while smoking in Electric Road about 8.25 p.m. yesterday.

A fruit stall foki, Leung Kanyan, was fined \$2 for a similar offence.

HEAVY BOMBERS RAID BURMA ROAD

Japanese heavy bombers attacked the Salween bridge, on the Burma highway, yesterday afternoon in two waves of 15 and 21 planes.

Two waves of dive-bombers also attacked the tin mining district near Kachin.

The all-clear sounded in Yunnanfu at 5.10 p.m. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

A head-on collision between a tramcar and a private motor-car, No. 6213, occurred in Johnston Road, near Tin Lok Lane at 2.30 p.m. to-day. A passenger in the car was severely injured about the face and sent to the Queen Mary Hospital. The driver escaped unhurt.

"I have received no instructions to advise local Japanese subjects to prepare for evacuation," declared Mr. S. Yano, Japanese Consul-General for Hong Kong, to the "China Mail" to-day.

Mr. Yano added that "as far as Hong Kong is concerned I do not expect such instructions."

Japanese residents throughout Indo-China, numbering about 400, have completed preparations to leave following the evacuation notice.

Semi-official Japanese reports allege that Indo-China has decided to stand by the decision reached at the emergency conference on Feb. 26, namely to oppose a large-scale partitioning of Indo-China. — Reuter.

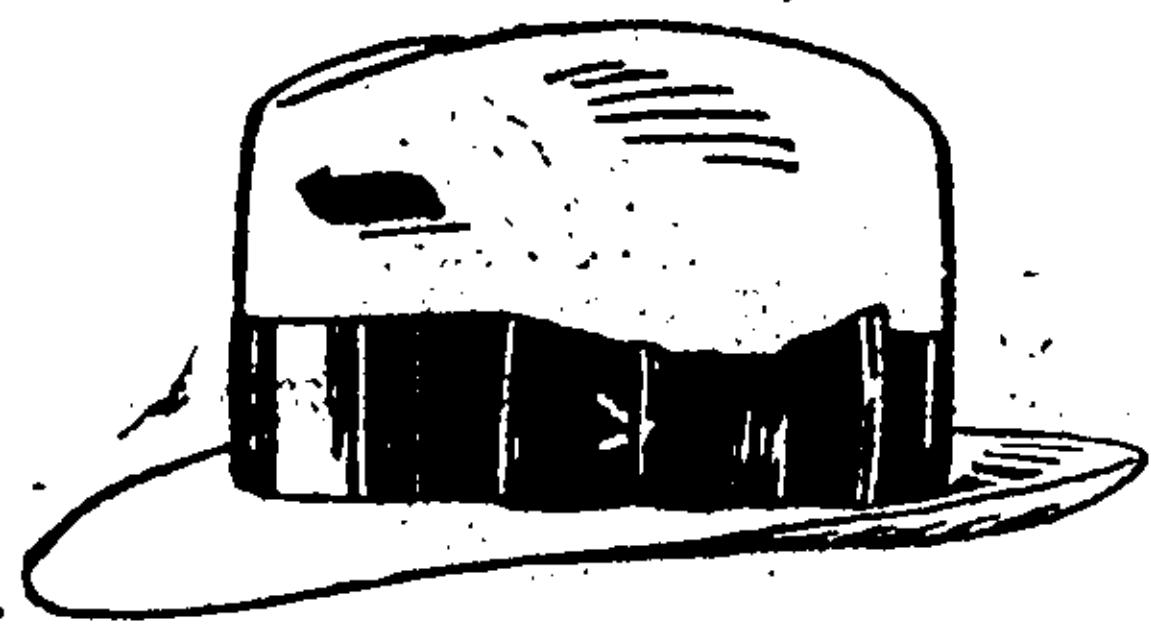
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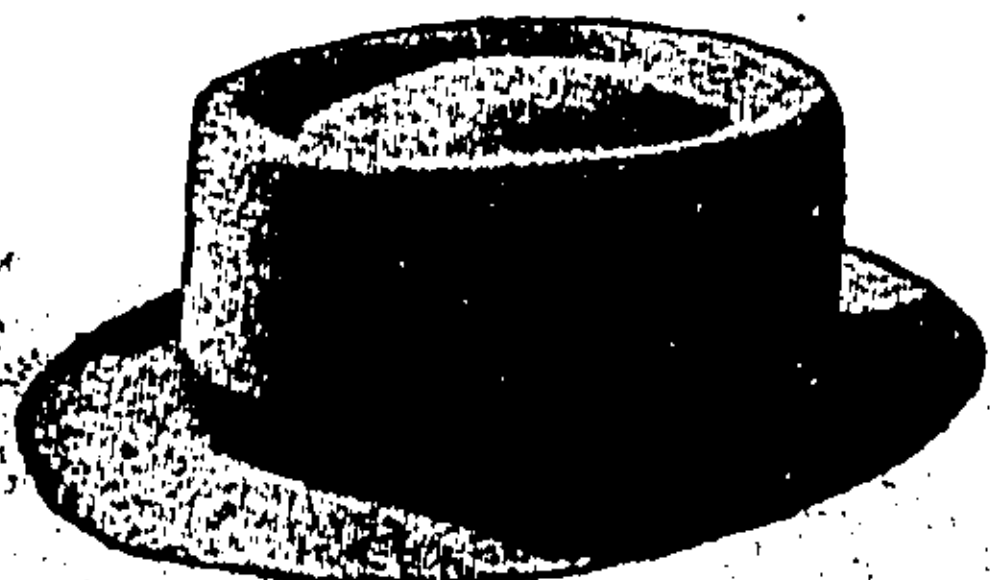
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